

THE KELOWNA COURIER

World News Flashes

(By Canadian Press)

B. C. Would Receive One Hundred Million Under New Agreement

VICTORIA—A five year agreement, which would give British Columbia a total of at least \$100,000,000 from the Federal subsidy, will be recommended to the Provincial Legislature for acceptance, it was announced today by Premier John Hart. The payment would be made as "rental" by the Dominion for the province's income, corporation and succession duty tax, and statutory subsidies. Premier Hart announced the details of the agreement following a Cabinet meeting. He returned from Ottawa on Sunday.

British Columbia, if the agreement is accepted, will receive an annual subsidy of \$18,000,000, or 150 per cent of the payment under the wartime tax agreement. It is minimized at \$18,000,000, based on the 1942 population, and the gross national product. Premier Hart announced there would be no double taxation, and that at the end of five years the "lease" would terminate. The province then could review its position and, if advisable, renew the agreement.

Details of the Agreement are: The annual subsidy will never be less than \$18,000,000, and on this basis for 1947, it will amount to \$21,299,000, based on the population and the gross national product.

Treasury bills held this morning totalling \$34,000,000 are to be partially cancelled and the remainder paid off on a long term basis, a part remaining as a direct relief debt without interest.

The Dominion has vacated the gasoline tax field, leaving this source of revenue, estimated at \$2,000,000 annually, to the province.

The Dominion will give the province fifty per cent of its collections from corporation income tax on electric and gas utilities, an amount estimated at \$500,000.

The arrears on income and corporation taxes owing to the province at the time it signed the wartime tax agreement, amounting to approximately \$3,385,859.66, will be paid to the province by the Dominion immediately.

Under the wartime tax agreement the province received \$12,000,000 for vacating personal income and corporation tax fields, and revenue from succession duties and statutory subsidies made a total revenue of approximately \$15,000,000.

LONDON POLICE ALERT

LONDON—A total of fourteen telephone warnings that London buildings would be blown up have been received by police since last Friday night, but there were no reports of violence anywhere in the city. Authorities intensified precautions to avert possible violence, but expressed belief that the calls were the work of pranksters. The fourteenth call said London's huge Paddington station would be blasted.

"CRUCIAL STAGE"

RANGOON—Burma's fight for freedom is at the most crucial stage and events during the next six weeks may decide the country's destiny, U Aung Sang, deputy chairman of Burmese interim government, said in an interview today. "Everything will depend on the British government's reply to our demands."

FORM FRENCH CABINET

PARIS—Leon Blum has formed an All-Socialist Cabinet with himself as President-Premier and Minister of Foreign Affairs, it was announced today. Andre Le Troquer, outstanding anti-Communist in party ranks, was given the Communist-coveted post of Minister of National Defence, with control of armed forces at home and out of the country. The other key post, Minister of Interior, went to Edouard Depreux.

GAS TAX REMOVED

OTTAWA—Removal of the Federal tax of three cents a gallon on gasoline next April 1 will mean a loss of \$30,000,000 in Dominion revenue but may not mean as large a saving to motorists if the provinces decide to increase their gas tax, government officials said here. Decision to remove the gas tax was announced Saturday. At Victoria, officials said withdrawal of the Federal tax would mean an addition of approximately \$2,700,000 to B.C. revenues. Legislation is already on B.C. books enabling the province to take over the tax.

PROBE ATHLETE BRIBE

NEW YORK—With one man under \$25,000 bail on a charge of bribing an athlete, New York police pressed their investigation of an unsuccessful attempt to "fix" national football league's title game in which Chicago Bears downed New York Giants, 24-14. The probe, first of its kind here since the Brooklyn basketball scandal, was disclosed as Alvin J. Paris, self-styled "big boy" on athletic contests, was arraigned on bribery charges, accused of having offered Merle Hapes and Frank Filchock, giant backfield men, \$2,500 each to agree not to play their best in the championship contest.

U.N. ADOPTS ARMS PLANS

NEW YORK—The United Nations General Assembly, shortly before midnight Sunday, disposed of the last item on the agenda which was climaxed Saturday with the unanimous adoption of a world arms limitation plan which it hopes to see become effective in 1947. Delegates gave cheering acclamation when President Paul Henri Spaak, of Belgium, put the question on the political committee's reports of recommendation of reduction in national armaments and control of atomic and other mass killing weapons. There was no necessity of a vote. Hon. Paul Martin, leader of the Canadian delegation, played an important part in the framing of the final resolution, described the Assembly's action as a "historic step toward general disarmament." The resolution places the task of disarmament planning in the hands of the eleven-member Security Council.

SURVIVES "EXECUTION"

TOKYO—An Australian soldier told the international war crimes court today he had lived through a Japanese officer's attempt to behead him. "I felt a heavy dull blow on the back of my neck," he said. He eventually crawled to safety after recovering consciousness to find himself buried in a shallow grave. He was the first witness called as Australians began the final phase in the international prosecution which began last June 3rd. He escaped through jungle, finally making his way to Singapore where he surrendered to police who handed him over to their Japanese masters. He stayed in Singapore prisoner of war camps until the end of the war.

HEAVY STORMS IN ENGLAND

LONDON—Britain this month had everything in the way of weather—devastating floods, roaring gales, spasmic sunshine, paralyzing fog and now snow and ice. The snow today lay deep in Suffolk and southeast Kent. There had been heavy snowfall in the Midlands and Scotland. London temperatures dropped to 26 degrees last night.

ROYAL WEDDING?

LONDON—Sources close to Buckingham Palace and No. 10 Downing Street expressed pleasure in "off-the-record" interest today in the possibility of Princess Elizabeth marrying Prince Philip, of Greece, but emphasized the persistent rumors of the engagement are still only rumors. Britain's upper classes appear solidly in favor of the 25-year-old Philip, and there is a widespread tendency to "keep politics out of it."

CRISIS IN INDIA

LONDON—The future of India was thrust forcefully into the official scene in London today as Bombay dispatches quoted Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as saying his Congress Party had taken into its own hands the forging of a new independent nation. The Times of India, published in Bombay, stated that Nehru, leading minister in the interim government, told a reception at Benares last night "in two or three days' time, India is to declare herself out of the British Empire." "We are not going to submit our decisions to the British Parliament," Nehru is quoted as saying. "Congress has decided to go forward vigorously."

Bylaws Overwhelmingly Passed As Ladd, Jones And Meikle Are Elected

Record Number of Voters Cast Ballots Despite Heavy Snow and Slush—All Five Bylaws Supported by Large Majority—Alderman Ladd Tops Poll With O. L. Jones Second and Maurice Meikle Third—Griffith, Gibb, Mrs. Gore and Shelley Finish in That Order—Few "Plumper" Votes Are Cast

CAMPAIGN speeches have been cast in the wastepaper baskets, ballot boxes have been tucked safely away, and Mayor-elect W. B. Hughes-Games is probably giving serious thought to the formation of the 1947 council committees as local residents look back on the most interesting civic election in several years. Despite the heavy snow and slush which hampered ratepayers going to and from the polls, a record vote was cast in last Thursday's election, and taxpayers decided in no uncertain terms who would represent them on the City Council for the next two years. When election campaign flames had been extinguished, the vote showed J. J. Ladd, veteran member of the Council, had headed the polls, while close behind him was O. L. Jones, ex-mayor and alderman. The third alderman to be elected to fill the three vacant seats was Maurice Meikle, local businessman who saw service overseas in Great War II.

At the same time, taxpayers overwhelmingly supported the five bylaws, and plans can now be fulfilled for the completion of the city's sewerage system and extension of the water works system. In addition, the city can dispose of 55 acres of the airport and the water rights on the property to Eldorado Ranch Ltd., while Council also has authority to change the weekly half-day holiday from Thursday to Wednesday. Out of a total of 1,364 people who were registered on the voters' list, 913 people cast ballots. This was considerably more than last year when only 817 people exercised their franchise. The comparatively heavy vote came as a surprise to veteran election officials, as during the first four hours Thursday morning a little over 200 people had voted. However, the great increase during the evening hours, and this no doubt was due to the Junior Chamber of Commerce, who made a point of telephoning people who had not cast a ballot.

Counting was not completed until the early hours Friday morning and as election officials leaned back after six hours of weary counting, here's how the spoils checked out:

A \$240,000 bylaw for the extension of the sewerage system: For, 791; Against, 42; Spoiled, 45.
A \$110,000 bylaw for the construction of a reservoir, renew a reservoir main, replace an intake main and increase the pumping capacity of the water works: For, 802; Against, 48; Spoiled, 31.
A bylaw to authorize the disposal of 55 acres to Eldorado Ranch Ltd., for the sum of \$6,000 cash: For, 699; Against, 103; Spoiled, 58.
A bylaw to dispose of certain water rights to Eldorado Ranch Ltd., for the sum of \$4,000 cash: For, 721; Against, 98; Spoiled, 58.
A plebiscite altering the day fixed for the weekly half-holiday from Thursday to Wednesday in each week: For, 737; Against, 113; Spoiled, 27.

hour of counting, and finished only eight votes behind Mr. Gibb. Mr. Shelley was never a contender and occupied the cellar position all the way.

Conspicuously absent were the number of "plumpers." One of the vote-counters estimated that only about 25 people "plumped" at all. There were a number of two-name combinations. Plumping is a device used by voters to give a particular candidate an advantage over their opponents.

The Ladd-Jones-Meikle combination was the most popular. Most of the aldermanic candidates were on hand in the Scout Hall during the counting, and when the outcome was indicated before the last 200 ballots were counted, they took their defeats in good spirits.

Alderman J. H. Horn Is Elected Head B. C. Interior Aviation Body

F. N. Gisborne Chosen Vice-President at Annual Meeting Held Sunday

Alderman J. H. Horn, chairman of the Kelowna Aviation Council, last Sunday afternoon was elected president of the B.C. Interior Aviation body at the annual meeting, succeeding Mayor David Howie, of Vernon, while F. N. Gisborne was chosen vice-president. L. G. Wilson was elected secretary, and Bob White, of Rutland, was unanimously named treasurer. The meeting, which was attended by representatives of aviation bodies in the Interior, fully discussed the many problems which are hampering the development of aviation in B.C. Decision of the Department of Transport to grant a franchise to the Capilano Airways Ltd., for the operation of a regular air service through the Interior of B.C., is awaited with keen interest.

Possibility of the establishment of a north-south airline service will be investigated. It was reported that the Wallace Aviation Service, of Spokane, is interested in starting an airline from Spokane to Alaska, with intermediate stops in the Interior, but that government red-tape is hampering the consummation of plans. "It seems we are passing up a wonderful opportunity to have a north-south line, and if we can follow this thing up and give it any support, it will be to our advantage," Mr. Horn declared.

Fresh Fruit

Dave Chapman said that an indication of the size of the company can be realized when recently Col. Wallace, head of the airline company, recently signed orders for delivery of 40,000 small aircraft. From the industrial standpoint, it was also revealed that a plan is being considered by an American firm for the flying of tomato plants from the southern part of U.S. to Canada. It was stated the plants would be more firm for transplanting, and that growth would be more rapid.

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WALZ REFUSES GIVE EVIDENCE CITY INQUEST

Alleged Driver of Death-Car Silent as Jury Finds City Pioneer Killed by Auto

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE?

Already Serving Three Months For Failing to Remain at Scene of Accident

Death as the result of injuries received when knocked off his bicycle by a car driven by Joseph Leo Walz, was the verdict early this afternoon of the coroner's jury inquiring into the death of Arthur J. Pritchard, aged 71.

After an inquest lasting two hours on Friday morning and close to three hours today, and highlighted by the accused driver refusing to give evidence, the six-man jury, with Percy Harding as foreman, brought in the following verdict:

"We are of the opinion that A. J. Pritchard died of injuries received on Saturday, December 7, 1946, between the hours of 8 to 8:30 p.m., by reason of being struck whilst riding his bicycle on Richter St., just north of the intersection with Sutherland Ave., in the City of Kelowna, by a car driven by Joseph Leo Walz, causing death through cerebral lacerations." Other members of the jury were, Walter Hamilton, Thomas Hazell, Harold August, Percy Harding and George Henderson-Walsh.

Walz Silent

The alleged driver, who lives in Rutland, and is now serving a three months jail term for failing to remain at the scene of the accident, had left the court room in the Carso Block in company with a policeman, before the verdict was brought in. All during the hearings at his trial last Monday and Tuesday, and during the inquest sessions, he retained the same stoical attitude of non-committal.

Coroner T. F. McWilliams ruled the driver a "compellable witness" but not for to testify where he might prejudice his case in any charge that may be pressed against him.

Observers took that to mean that Walz may possibly face a manslaughter charge arising from the death of the elderly cyclist. The deceased died early Thursday morning without regaining consciousness.

Two witnesses, who appeared this morning for the first time, and who were observed by others at the scene, but had left before police arrived, were unable to shed further light on the accident.

One of the witnesses was the first to arrive on the scene, but did not see the incident actually happen. As it turned out, no one actually witnessed the cyclist being hit by the car other than possibly the driver himself, and he declined to say anything about it. A passenger in the car with Walz, Joseph Meisum, admitted he saw the bike man and that the driver swerved to avoid hitting him.

Bike "Nicked"

He said he thought the bicycle was just "nicked," and though the driver slowed down, they did not stop. The third passenger in the car, Peter Yeast, testified he was dozing at the time and saw or heard nothing until awakened several minutes later.

After Walz declined to give evidence, the coroner pointed out to him the difficulties he was placing on the jury, who "were here to get all the facts possible."

"The jury cannot avoid getting inferences from your objection to being questioned," the coroner told him. He still declined to say anything.

RELIEF PEOPLE TO GET BONUS

People in Kelowna and district who are in receipt of a social allowance, will get a Christmas present this month.

The director of public welfare, at Victoria, informed the Council to make the supplementary allowance to people in receipt of social assistance around December 15. The additional cheques amount to \$3.50 for the head of a family, and \$1.20 to single persons.

Sweeping Proposals Costing \$1,699,000 Would Bring End To Valley Flood Conditions

T. WILKINSON AGAIN HEADS RUTLAND MILL

Approve Drive for \$35,000 For New Box Factory and Working Capital

RUTLAND—The directors of the Rutland Co-operative Society, meeting at the sawmill office on Thursday evening last, re-elected Thos. Wilkinson, of Benvenuto, as chairman of the board for the ensuing year. No other changes were made in the officers, D. McDougall continuing as treasurer, and A. W. Gray as secretary.

The manager reported the new mill making good progress, the output steadily increasing to where the mill is now cutting 14 to 16 thousand feet per day. The supply of logs is still plentiful, and is actually increasing faster than the cut of lumber, ensuring a steady operation of the mill should weather conditions later stop log hauling. The directors approved a drive for a further \$35,000 in new capital toward the cost of a box factory, and for additional working capital. The total amount needed was set at \$65,000 and of this the Society expects to get support of the shippers to the extent of the remaining \$30,000, and the directors will endeavor to meet the shippers as a body early in the new year to discuss the deal.

The planned box factory would have an output of a million boxes per year, but would be capable of being stepped up to a larger figure in an emergency.

BAD WEATHER KEEPS PLANE AT VANCOUVER

Local Air Cadets Miss Ride as Canso Aircraft Fails to Arrive Here

The R.C.A.F. Canso aircraft that was scheduled to arrive on Saturday, in connection with a forthcoming Air Cadet League recruiting campaign, was unable to leave Vancouver because of unfavorable flying weather, local officers were advised by wire late Saturday morning.

Purpose of the proposed visit of the plane, carrying S/L E. B. Peers, permanent secretary of the Air Cadet League, was to stimulate interest in the local air cadet movement. Many of the local boys missed out on a plane ride when the aircraft failed to show up. F/O Bob Tate, retiring commanding officer, was unable to say when the plane would come. The recruiting drive will not be started until after New Year's, but the local Air Cadet Squadron will accept recruits now.

MEETING TUESDAY

The B.C. Irrigation Association will hold a meeting in the court room Tuesday afternoon at 2 p.m.

STORES CLOSE 5 P.M. DEC. 24

Christmas shoppers will have to complete their buying of gifts and supplies by 5 p.m., Dec. 24th, the Retail Merchants' Bureau has reminded.

Stores will definitely close at the usual hour on Christmas Eve. All stores will be closed on Christmas Day and Boxing Day, Dec. 26th. Usual late Saturday hours till 9 p.m. will be kept for both Dec. 21st and Dec. 28th. Closing at 6 p.m. Saturdays will be the vogue for the first four months of the New Year.

Recommendations Would Control Flood Waters of Okanagan Valley—Would Lower Lake Level—Considerable Dredging of Lake Necessary for Car-Transfer Slips and Ferry Wharves—Would Enlarge Channel of Okanagan River Between Okanagan and Osoyoos Lake—Recommendations in Hands of Provincial and Federal Governments

Affects Entire Okanagan

SWEEEPING recommendations designed to control flood waters of the Okanagan Valley, which call for the lowering of the Okanagan Lake level and a considerable amount of dredging to permit navigable access to existing car-transfer slips and ferry wharves, and also enlarging the channel of the Okanagan River between Okanagan and Osoyoos Lakes, are contained in a lengthy report made public today by the Joint Board of Engineers which investigated flood conditions in the Okanagan. The recommendations are now in the hands of the provincial and federal governments, and cost of the proposed improvements will be in the neighborhood of \$1,699,000. In so far as Kelowna is concerned, the normal level of the lake would be dropped about one foot to 98.5, while the emergency low water level will be 97.5 feet. In addition, both C.P.R. and C.N.R. will have to do a considerable amount of dredging to car-transfer slips to permit operation between high water and low water levels.

The report, which is of extreme interest to everyone living in the 120-mile area from Vernon to the International border, was received by Hon. Frank Irvine, M.P., at Yalo. It is the only copy available, others having been held up by the King's Printer in Victoria. The recommendations are the result of careful study by engineers, and if acted upon by the federal and provincial governments, should bring an end to flood conditions in the Okanagan. Some of the major expenditures listed in the report call for the spending of \$655,308 on the excavation of the river channel between Okanagan and Osoyoos Lakes; \$120,000 for the erection of an Okanagan Lake control dam; and \$53,484 for culverts, flood gates and ditches. It is anticipated the railways would assume a share of the cost for alterations to railway transfer slips. It was pointed out that at least \$10,000,000 has so far been spent on irrigation works, and that the value of the fruit and vegetable crops produced in 1944 was approximately \$21,000,000.

"These products are distributed throughout the whole of Canada, and a large proportion of the fruit crop is exported to world markets. It is, therefore, apparent that the welfare of the Okanagan Valley is not only a local matter, but of both provincial and national importance. In view of the great benefits which will accrue in the whole Valley, the board is of the opinion that the expenditure of \$1,699,000 is fully justified," the report stated.

Many Recommendations

After a careful review of all factors involved, the Joint Board of Engineers made the following recommendations:

1. That the normal range of control of water levels of Okanagan Lake be increased to four feet by lowering the present lower limit by one foot, while maintaining the upper control limit as at present; but that provision be made to permit of a further reduction of one foot below normal lower limit, in emergency, when necessary for irrigation purposes. The range in the lake levels is to be between the following limits:
High water — elevation 1123.2 (102.5).
Normal low water — elevation 1119.2 (98.5).
Emergency low water — elevation 1118.2 (97.5).
2. That necessary alterations be made to railway car-transfer slips and other facilities to permit their operation between the limits of high water elevation (102.5) and emergency low water level of elevation (97.5).
3. That dredging be carried out where necessary to permit navigable access to existing car-transfer slips, wharves, etc., when the lake level is at the emergency low limit of 97.5.
4. That necessary alterations or extensions to, or dredging at, private pumping stations, wharves, landings, and boathouses be carried out as required to permit the continued use of these facilities within the extreme range of lake levels established for Okanagan Lake.
5. That a new enlarged and improved channel be provided for the Okanagan River between Okanagan and Osoyoos Lakes, the new channel to have capacity to carry the following flow in the section noted:
Okanagan Lake to Shingle Creek, 2,100 capacity cubic feet per second; Shingle Creek to Ellis Creek, 2,400 C.F.S.; Ellis Creek to Skaha Lake, 2,700 C.F.S.; Skaha Lake to Okanagan Falls, 2,700 C.F.S.; Okanagan Falls to Oliver intake dam, 2,600 C.F.S.; Oliver intake dam to Osoyoos Lake, 3,400 C.F.S.
6. That a new and larger control dam be constructed in the new channel at the outlet of Okanagan Lake, capable of discharging 2,100 cubic feet per second when Okanagan Lake water-level is at elevation 1119.5 and of controlling the level of Okanagan Lake up to elevation 1123.7.

New Control Dam

7. That a new control dam at Okanagan Falls be constructed to control the level of Skaha Lake between the limits of low water elevation 1119.2 and high water elevation 1109.0; this dam to be capable of discharging a maximum of not less than 2700 cubic feet per second when the level of Skaha is at elevation 1107.
8. That alterations be made to the intake dam at the Southern Okanagan Lands Project to permit the passing of 2,800 cubic feet per second in the Okanagan River.
9. That the following works relating to railway bridges be provided for:
A. Construction of a new railway bridge across the Okanagan River at South Penticton, and making alterations to trackage.
B. Reconstruction of railway bridge south of Okanagan Falls and raising railway grade.
10. That the following works relating to highway and other bridges be provided for:
A. Construction of a highway bridge over new river channel at Oliver.
- B. Construction of a bridge to carry the main irrigation pipe line across the new river channel at Oliver.
11. That a new private bridge at McDonald Ranch.
12. That a new private bridge at the Richer Estate Ranch.
13. That the following works relating to sawmills be provided for:
A. A log pond separate from the new river channel for the Penticton Sawmill at Penticton.
- B. A log pond separate from the new river channel for the Oliver Sawmills at Oliver.
14. That a new pump house be provided, also pipe and electric power transmission lines extended for the Penticton Municipality, whose present plant will be by-passed by the relocation of the Okanagan River.
15. That two electric power transmission lines crossing the river, one near Oliver, and the other leading to the airport at Penticton, be reconstructed.
16. That a right-of-way 200 feet wide for the full length of the new river channel be purchased and provision made for moving any buildings now located on these lands. Purchase of lands to be made or flooding easements obtained between Okanagan Falls and Vancouver Lake where necessary.

Serious Sanitary Hazard

In summarizing the report, the Joint Board of Engineers pointed out that which extremely high water occurs on Okanagan Lake, marginal lands adjoining become inundated. This seriously affects extensive portions of the settlements at Kelowna, Peachland, Summerland, Penticton, and other places. Business and manufacturing firms at times find it necessary to cease operations and homes have to be vacated. Sewage systems, where septic tanks are used, become ineffective, causing a serious sanitary hazard. Numerous fine gardens are destroyed, and parks and tourist resorts cannot function during portions of their busy holiday season.

Due to the nature of the sub-soil, when lands at Kelowna and other points are once flooded, the trapped water does not drain readily. In

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THE WINNAHS!!!!



W. B. HUGHES-GAMES



J. J. LADD



O. L. JONES



MAURICE MEIKLE

Wonderful interest is being taken in the formation of the 1947 City Council committees, which will be announced at the inaugural session on January 6. Of the above pictures, Mr. Meikle will be the only new member around the Council table. Mr. Jones having served as a former alderman and mayor, while Mr. Ladd, who was re-elected, will be

starting his eighth term, and will be the senior member of the 1947 Council. Other members of the Council are Aldermen Sam Miller, Jack Horn and R. P. Walrod. Alderman W. B. Hughes-Games was elected the Chief Magistrate by acclamation.

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The Election

On Thursday the people of Kelowna selected three men to fill the vacancies on the City Council and gave their approval to the five bylaws presented to them. The vote was a large one just about sixty-seven per cent of those on the list, which includes absentee voters, casting their ballots.

The bylaws were given an overwhelming endorsement. The sewer extension bylaw received a 95 per cent affirmative vote while the waterworks received a 91 per cent affirmative. The sale of part of the Dickson Ranch found 87 per cent in favor and the sale of water rights on the same property was supported by 88 per cent. The change of the retail half-holiday from Thursday to Wednesday received 87 per cent support.

With seven candidates in the field for three seats on the City Council there was greater interest than in several years. The election of Messrs. Ladd and Jones was accepted generally as a foregone conclusion and the interest centred around the third seat. Mr. Meikle won it with a comfortable margin over his next three opponents who were closely bunched.

Conservative Kelowna is apparently not yet ready to elect a woman to the City Council.

Mr. Shelley based his campaign upon opposition to the zoning bylaw. In this he was definitely the advocate of those who desire to see the bylaw changed. The only conclusion that can be taken from the results is that most of the ratepayers are quite satisfied with the policy of the present Council in so far as this matter is concerned.

The election demonstrated once again that the ratepayers of Kelowna do not take kindly or freely give their support to any candidate who presents himself for election for a specific reason. Kelowna ratepayers, apparently, desire their aldermen to enter the Council with no preconceived opinions and to consider the various points that arise as unbiasedly as possible and to make decisions on that basis.

Mr. Lewis Submits

On instructions from Mr. John L. Lewis, the soft-coal miners of the United States have gone back to work after a seventeen-day strike. It was a strike which had repercussions far beyond the limits of the coal industry. The number of people deprived of their jobs because of the strike had passed 250,000. Workers in the steel, railroad and motor-car industries were being laid off by tens of thousands daily. Official Washington predicted that five million Americans would be out of work by New Year's Day, if the strike continued.

By calling off the strike, Mr. Lewis capitulated to public opinion. He and his miners failed signally to gain popular sympathy. Other labor leaders, for the sake of union solidarity on the legal issue raised by the strike, gave him verbal support, but apart from them he had no advocates outside the ranks of the parlor pinks and highbrow leftists. The ordinary American citizen regarded the strike as utterly unreasonable, seeing that the terms on which the miners were working had been negotiated by Mr. Lewis himself last spring and were described by him at that time as a great victory for organized workers. Remembering that the American public saw this strike as nothing but a wanton expression of Mr. Lewis's power complex. His followers shared in the odium heaped upon him, even though coal miners normally command the average man's sympathy because of the dangers and discomforts of their work.

Mr. Lewis's letter to his union, instructing all members to return to work, amounts to an admission that he was beaten by public opinion. With a bow to the Supreme Court, as "the protector of American liberties," he went on to say that the Court ought to hear his case in an atmosphere "free from public pressure superinduced by the hysteria and frenzy of an economic crisis." These high-flown words do not disguise Mr. Lewis's meaning. They are a confession that his action in calling the strike angered the American public. His motive for calling it off, very obviously, was a fear that he and labor unionism might be totally discredited.

Mr. Lewis's remark about public pressure, as well as his statement that "public necessity requires the quantitative production of coal," suggests that he recognizes the national interest as superior to the sectional interest of his union. But whether he will conduct himself accordingly in future is open to doubt. He has failed in this attempt to bully the American Government, but there is nothing in his letter to indicate that he will not try again. One American view of the end of the strike is that, "in his surrender a great danger passes. It is not likely that any future labor leader will try to do what Mr. Lewis has failed to do." That is a cheerful opinion, perhaps too optimistic. Mr. Lewis may regard his latest move as merely a strategic retreat.

The action against him and the United Mine Workers for contempt of court is still to be settled finally in the Supreme Court of the United States. Whatever judgment may be given there, and whether or not the \$3,510,000 fine imposed in a lower court is collected, the American nation will have to face up to the political problem set by the Lewis performance. Can a modern industrial nation, whose producing units are all closely interdependent, allow any one man to exercise the power of life and death over their whole industrial machine? The question answers itself. It is intolerable that John L. Lewis or any other labor leader, unelected by the people and owing no responsibility to them, should have this dan-

gerous power. But how to curb such men without denying labor's basic rights is by no means a simple problem. It is a problem for which industry, labor and management should accept responsibility if the regimentation of both elements is to be avoided.

Beyond Exhortation

(Winnipeg Free Press)

When the British Labor party was campaigning for office last year that magic word "nationalization" seemed to offer a solution for every problem. Today Britain is reassessing its position. It finds that nationalization in itself contains no magic. It finds that its problems are much deeper than it suspected in the happy days of military victory. It finds that the question before it is not whether Britain, under a socialist policy, can quickly achieve a high standard of living but whether, in cold fact, a living standard lower than that of pre-war days can be avoided.

These discoveries explain the new urgent mood of parliament, the constant appeal for greater effort on the part of British workers which has become, in the common British cliché, almost government by exhortation. What has happened to alter the calculations of the British people? Several things have happened. The nationalization program itself has achieved no easy miracles. The manpower shortage has turned out to be more serious than the nation had expected. The deteriorating political climate of the world has compelled Britain to increase its military establishment at the price of a heavy drain on the available supply of producers. The export drive, though it represents a prodigy of effort and involves serious sacrifices by the British consumer, has not achieved its objective yet. The American loan, with which Britain bought time for its own recovery, has diminished in value with rising American prices. The London Economist summarizes the problem as shortage of fuel, shortage of manpower and shortage of dollars.

The government's current policy is concentrated on one primary objective—to get more work out of every employed man and woman in Britain. It seeks greater efficiency in the management of industry and the modernization of British industrial techniques. It asks labor unions to reverse the practices of a century and abandon all restrictions on production. But, as the Economist observes, obvious and essential as these efforts are, they will not be enough:

"Exhortation will not work. It is doubtful whether it would ever work when the dangers to be exhorted against are (at present) so abstract. It is still more doubtful whether, after eight mortally exhausting years, there is any capacity left in the British people to react to exhortation on any subject. But in this case there are specific and organic reasons for the languor of the British economy which mere exhortation will not touch."

It is these organic reasons that Britain must face now. They are summarized by the Economist when it says that "incentives to effort and sanctions for idleness have both of them largely disappeared from the British economy." There is no adequate incentive to make business expand or men work. There is no serious penalty for idleness in the state which guarantees at least some minimum of social security for all.

The Economist does not believe that the old penalties for idleness can be revived and most people would not want them revived. But the incentive to activity can be revived and it is there that Britain, and every country which refuses to accept the alternative of the totalitarian state, must seek the chance of increasing prosperity. If the problem of Britain is more acute at the moment than ours, the same facts apply with equal validity to Canada and other democracies.

The incentive to expansion, as the Economist says of Britain, has been largely eliminated by taxation which gives the enterpriser no real chance of profit in return for the risks of investment and gives the worker less net wages as his output increases. The enterpriser is discouraged from investing and expanding. The worker is discouraged from producing. And no exhortation is likely to overcome these stubborn human facts.

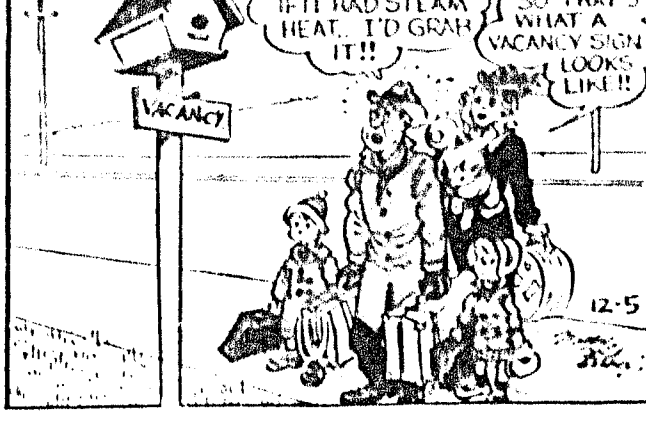
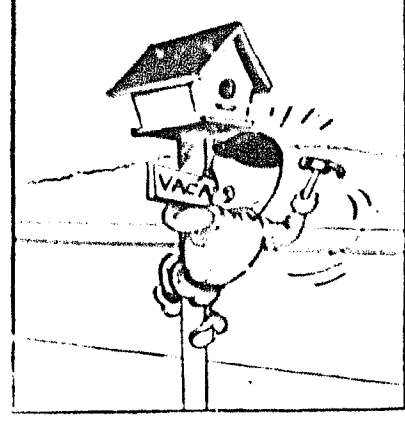
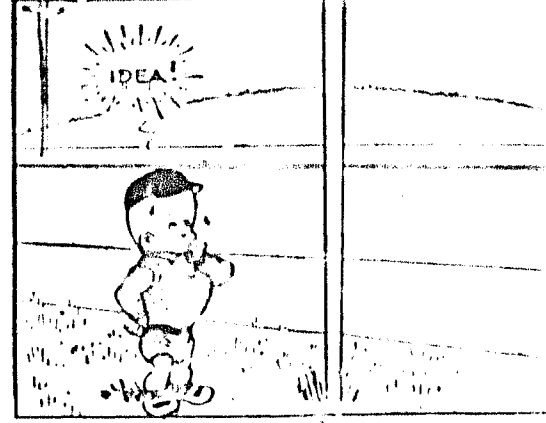
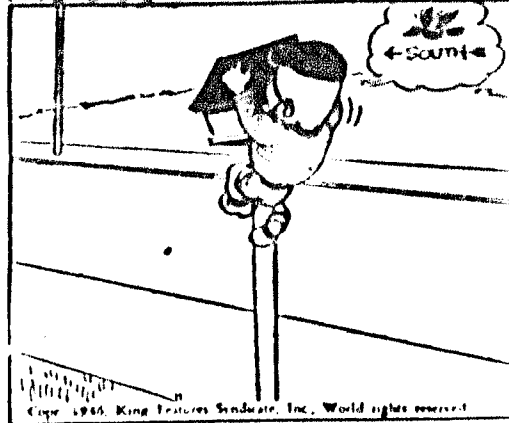
These facts are not peculiar to a free enterprise economy such as we do live under in America or to the semi-socialist economy which the Labor government is trying to build in Britain. They apply with equal force in a totalitarian economy like Russia's. There, it is true, the state has replaced the private enterpriser, invests as a few men in the Politburo direct, decides how much labor shall go into capital construction and how many goods shall be left over for the consumer. Provided the people are willing to submit to the dictates of the government in every aspect of their lives and accept what the state provides, the private enterpriser can be eliminated. But Russia has been compelled to apply the principle of incentive to the worker. He is paid in Russia not at a flat rate as here but according to his individual output. Communist equality in theory has been replaced in practice by a greater measure of inequality, based on individual output, than we have been willing to permit in Britain or America.

Britain, facing the same basic problems as Russia, does not intend to abandon either private enterprise or personal freedom. It must, therefore, provide incentive for the enterpriser and for the worker. If the enterpriser and the worker are to produce more real income for themselves after the tax collector has finished with them.

All these considerations bring us back inevitably to the cost of maintaining the state through taxes. There are two factors here—the total cost of government and the methods of financing it. If the total cost is too great, high taxes, however collected, will diminish the incentive to production of capital and labor alike, and that is the position which most nations occupy today. If smaller taxes are collected unfairly to crush the opportunities of some groups the same process of paralysis will occur as we have good reason to know in the federal system of Canada.

The most obvious answer is to keep the cost of the state within reasonable limits. Another measure, suggested by the Economist and strongly supported within the Labor party

MUGGS AND SKEETER



itself, would transfer a part of the burden of the state, are heavily reduced. The central problem of Britain can be seen, already very high, but there again the law of diminishing returns is encountered. If estates but as the problem of all free peoples. Britain are excessively taxed few men will trouble to face it in a critical stage today because of its create them. It is thus difficult to see how in wartime impoverishment and its small natural centive can be made to work in Britain or else resources. In the long run no country can where until the real burden on it, the levies of retain freedom and evade it.

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY dental school reports on a study made by it in conjunction with two large chewing gum companies. As a result they feel that Vitamin K in chewing gum could reduce tooth cavities from 60 to 90 per cent. Therefore, these two companies are starting to make vitamin K gum.

CANADIAN WOMEN are not accepting too kindly the increasing length of dress skirts. For practical wear the desired length for spring is 15 to 18 inches from the ground, which is mid-calf in length and does have a good effect. But longer than that is not desired, at least by most Canadian women.

A FEW MONTHS AGO a citizen of Niagara Falls, Ont., and his wife were returning from a brief visit to the U.S., and he replied blandly "NO" when a customs officer asked if they were bringing anything into Canada. The officer poked his head into the car and his eye spotted an oblong parcel in the corner of the back seat. The honest citizen expressed amazement. Then his wife explained simply that it was "just a pound of butter." Indignant at having to pay duty, the husband sheepishly walked into the inspector's office to listen to a lecture on smuggling. Every time he crosses the border now, which is frequently, he gets out of his car, and instead of replying "Nothing to declare," says, "Search the car. Find out for yourself!" So, time after time, no matter what the weather,

r.p.m.'s column

I SEE BY THE PAPERS . . .

r p m

"HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF," says

the philosopher; the scientist talks

learnedly about "periodicity"; the

movie-goer says "This is where I

came in". Thus, to the wise, innova-

tions are fads, which will have

their day and in their turn lose

favor to still others. And now an-

other innovation has apparently run

its full cycle. In a paper published

by the Child Study Association of

America, of New York, and sum-

marizing the results of a research

project by Dr. C. Anderson Aldrich,

of Rochester, Minnesota, it was stat-

ed that it is now all right to pick

up a baby when he cries. It seems

so recently that parents were as-
sured by the child "psychologists" that
to pick up a crying baby would
give him ideas, if not something
worse. With that incisive reasoning
which is so characteristic of infancy,
the baby would realize that having
been picked up once when he cried,
all he would have to do in future
would be to cry again. So, to be in
line with the latest discoveries, re-
gardless of maternal instinct, the
neighbors' feelings, or the protests
of grandma, baby cried his little
heart out, till merciful sleep, or the
turn of the schedule, brought him
relief. Now, it appears, Grandmo-
ther was right after all. Babies, the
saving grace of common sense.

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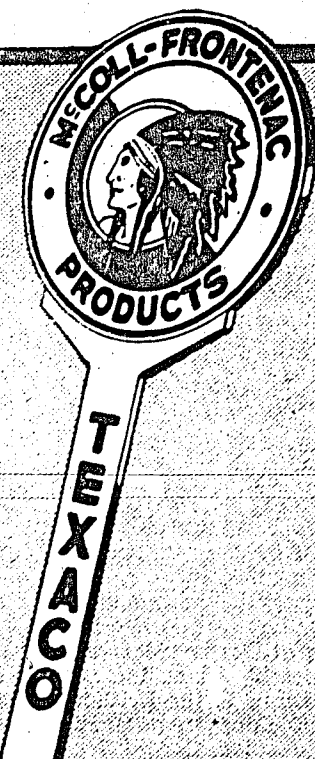
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FARM HOME LIGHTING



Whether the big dining table is located in the dining room or kitchen, the farm family gathers around it three times a day for meals, as well as for many additional pleasures and tasks. Cutting out patterns, keeping accounts, doing the children's homework, playing family games and a dozen other activities, bring every member of the rural family to this central gathering spot, several times each day.

Canadian General Electric lighting specialists say all this activity needs

good light, both in the evening and on rainy or dark winter days. The exceptionally good, drop ceiling fixture shown in this picture supplies it. The nature hangs low enough over the table, and its diffusing bowl prevents glare, and employs a 100-200-300 watt bulb so that the amount of light can be varied to suit the task being done. For eating, the 300-watt level is sufficient. But when mother is mending and the children are studying in the evening, the 300-watt level is best.

GOV'T LEVIES MILK SALE TAX

VICTORIA—Starting December 1, the provincial government will impose a levy of one cent on every 100 pounds of milk sold to the public. In addition, a \$1 a year licence will be charged to all operators in the industry, including primary producers, and a licence fee of \$5 a year will be collected on each vehicle used in the sale or delivery of milk.

These rulings will apply only to the controlled areas of Victoria and the Lower Mainland. Purpose of the new regulations will be to provide funds for the operation and administration of the provincial one-man milk board set up by an amendment to the Public Utilities Act passed at the last session of the legislature. The board is administered by Ernest C. Carr, chairman.

On the basis of last year's volume of milk sales to the public, the one-cent levy should produce approximately \$24,240 a year in revenue for the board.

BELFAST—(CP)—Belfast harbor surcharges are being raised because of decreased port traffic and higher maintenance costs.

FAMILIES DELIGHT in the extra freshness and extra flavor of vacuum-packed Maxwell House Coffee. It's sealed in the Super-Vacuum Tin by the Vita-Fresh Process to ensure roaster freshness.

NEW VEHICLE IN OPERATION BY BUS COMPANY

City Bus Service had its newest addition operating on city streets last week.

A cab-over-engine 28-passenger job, the former Greyhound bus took the place temporarily filled by the Ford 32-passenger vehicle. White Manager Fred Thompson has tentative plans for a Sunday service in the near future, no immediate changes in the present schedule are intended. Both buses will be used on city routes when necessary, and in this way service and speed are expected to benefit.

COUNCIL WILL CONSIDER GRANT FOR PUBLICITY

The 1947 City Council will discuss the matter of a grant to the Kelowna Board of Trade toward the publicity folder which is now being made up.

In a letter from the secretary of the Board of Trade, it was pointed out that the City of Kamloops donated \$750 toward the publicity folder. The letter stated that many other points in the province were making a bid for tourist business, and Kelowna should by no means be left in the back-ground.

The publicity folder is being supported by business firms, and is designed for select distribution.

EDINBURGH—(CP)—Scottish Command plans to build a new 500 or 600-bed military hospital here.

Shippers Tackle Cee Grade Apple Problem

PENTICTON—A decision to take decisive action about the Cee grade problem in the Okanagan came out of a meeting of the Okanagan Shippers' Federation held in Penticton, December 1. As the first step in attacking this problem, a special committee has been set up. This group will study the matter and recommend actions to be taken. Among those at the meeting were A. K. Loyd, David McNair and A. C. Lander, as active participants in the fruit deal, Dr. R. C. Palmer, of the Dominion Experimental Station, and J. R. J. Stirling, president of the B.C.F.G.A.

A campaign of publicity, covering the fruit case, is an angle now being reviewed. Education through this coming winter's series of "growers' Chautauqua" lectures will be considered.

In addition to the Cee grade topic, some other matters affecting the industry came before the group. Among these were labor problems, wages, the new income tax provisions affecting married women, and the important box shock question.

Addressing the group on the Cee problem, Dr. R. C. Palmer gave a clear-cut summary of the situation. Text of his remarks follows: "During recent years there has been an alarming increase in the percentage of Cee grade apples in the Okanagan crop. Unless this situation is dealt with effectively, the good reputation of Okanagan apples will be lost. The solution lies in a united effort by Tree Fruits Limited, packing house operators and growers.

"Part of the trouble lies in the fact that growers have been receiving comparatively high prices for Cee grade apples. This matter is being dealt with by Tree Fruits Limited and there will be a greater difference in the prices paid for Cee grade apples in the future than has been the case in recent years. In fact, growers can expect comparatively low prices for Cee grade from now on.

"The responsibility of packing and storage house operators to see that apples reach the market in the best possible condition. This means more supervision and better packing. It means more cold storage space and better temperature control. It means moving the fruit into cold storage as rapidly as possible.

"It is the growers' responsibility to produce a comparatively high percentage of Extra Fancy and Fancy fruit. This means wider tree spacing, a thinning-out type of pruning and intelligent use of fertilizers. It is generally recognized that application of nitrogen to orchards commonly results in very material increases in yield. When large amounts of nitrogen are applied, the yield may be increased at the expense of quality.

"When Cee grade apples bring comparatively high prices it pays the grower to use large amounts of nitrogen fertilizer. However, in the long run this practice has an adverse effect on market demand. We have reached the stage when, unless we improve our quality, we shall lose our markets.

"In any case, we can expect lower returns from Cee grade apples. This means that the time has arrived when we should give serious consideration to the advisability of reducing the amount of nitrogen fertilizer.

"The Income Tax. One matter in the shippers' deliberations was in connection with the recent income tax changes affecting married women. It was felt that the new schedule will not affect married women to a great extent until their earnings reach \$750 per year. This is, of course, providing their husbands' salaries are in the "reasonable" brackets.

Some discussion on box shock was held, but no announcement was made or action taken directly by the meeting.

1946 EDITION CANADA YEAR BOOK PRINTED

Continue Policy of Giving Space to Feature Articles of Importance

The 1946 edition of the Canada Year Book, published by authorization of the Hon. James A. Kinnon, M.P., Minister of Trade and Commerce, is announced by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

The present edition continues the policy of giving such space as can be spared to feature articles of special importance. Such articles give additional meaning and substance to the purely statistical and analytical material that constitutes the basic chapter material. In a very real sense, as a perusal of the lists of Special Articles in this and former editions (pp. viii to xiii) will show they give to the Year Book Series and encyclopaedic value apart from its function as a statistical abstract.

Among the special articles appearing in the present edition are two that have reference to wartime accomplishments, data for which were not previously available. These are: "The Relation of Hydrography to Navigation and the War Record of the Hydrographic and Map Service" at pp. 14-18 and "The British Commonwealth Air Training Plan—A summary of the R.C.A.F.'s Major Role in the War of 1939-45" at pp. 1090-1099.

Other articles mainly connected with the transition to peace are "Canadian Agriculture during the Transition Period" at pp. 200-211; "The Outlook for the Mineral Industry in Relation to the Economic Development of Canada" at pp. 302-314 and "The Report of the Royal Commission on Co-operatives" at pp. 618-624.

All these articles are sponsored by responsible authorities of the Dominion or Provincial Government Services.

Other Features. Because of public interest in the articles published in former editions of the Canada Year Book, the policy of reprinting such articles as are of continuing value has been approved, and in future a number of these will be made available each year. Information regarding those available, together with the prices, is given in the list appearing at the opening pages of this edition.

In addition to the Special Articles, the regular chapter material has undergone thorough-going revision to reflect latest developments that have so far taken place in the post-war period.

This is particularly the case in the two chapters "Post-War Reconstruction" and the "Rehabilitation of Ex-Servicemen Personnel." The policies drafted during the later war years are now finding practical expression through departmental ad-

HO' BRING CANADIAN WAR DEAD IN BELGIUM



Canadians whose lives were lost in the liberation of Belgium were honored recently in a ceremony that marked the anniversary of the liberation of the seaside town of Knokke. Here Nicole Tarverner places flowers on the grave of Maj. Graham in the Canadian cemetery at Adegem.

ministration established for that purpose by the Dominion and Provincial Governments.

A summary of Discharge Gratuities and Rehabilitation Allowances, together with a short synopsis of the Pension System, War Veterans Allowances and other post-war legislation of the Federal Government is included.

For the first time a new chapter on National Defence has been included, warranted by reason of the importance defence has assumed in view of Canada's world position.

The important part Canada is taking in the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is dealt with in its relationship to Agriculture (Chapter VIII) Forestry (Chapter IX) and Fisheries (Chapter XI).

External Trade

The External Trade chapter has been very considerably reorganized. The extended general review at the opening of the Chapter draws attention to the great changes that have affected world trade and Canada's relation to them. The reorganization that the Department of Trade and Commerce has planned to meet this new set of conditions is given in detail at pp. 477-484. Further, in Part II—Statistics of External Commodity Trade—a series of detailed tabulations of principal imports and exports are included.

The Chapter on Internal Trade contains several new features. The

in Chapter VIII, Agriculture, summary statistical tables have been included from the Census of Agriculture, 1941. A full description of Canadian Agriculture during the war years and post-war period, also of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, has been added to the chapter. In Chapter XI, Fisheries, a section has been introduced, based on contributions made by the Provincial Governments, giving the administrative fields and the work the Provinces are doing in developing their fisheries resources.

Prices and Financing

A new section explaining the Canadian Vocational Training organization is introduced into the Labor Chapter.

The fight against inflation has been waged by Canadians with signal success so far, but it is not by any means over. Chapters XXIII and XXIV of the Year Book dealing with Prices and Financing, respectively, described the machinery and technique by which the results have been achieved. Chapter XXVII, Education, has been broadened and the work of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, the National Art Gallery and National Film Board in relation to this subject is included.

Appendices I and II give the latest figures on external trade and survey of production available at the time of going to press.

It has been found possible to include more than the usual number of maps and charts in this volume, due to the fact that many of

the maps, designed for other reports of the Bureau, were economically printed from existing plates. By a special concession, a limited number of paper-bound copies have been set aside for ministers of religion, bona fide students and school teachers, who may obtain such copies at the nominal price of \$1.00 each. Application with remittance for paper-bound copies must be forwarded to the Dominion Statistician, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

BRITISH FIRM RECEIVES CITY'S ELECTRIC ORDER

The order for four new electrical circuits, which the city placed with the General Electric Co., London, Eng., has been received. This was revealed at last Monday night's City Council meeting, when the electrical company wrote querying the fact whether an export licence would be necessary for the equipment.

The four new circuits will be used by the city power house in order to bring the power supply up-to-date. The order was air-mailed to the Old Country about three weeks ago.

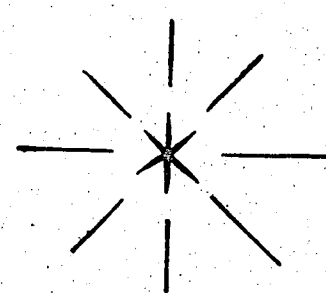
The electrical firm will be advised that no export licence is required.

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Beneath the lighted trees, eager children unwrap their precious gifts. In hearths from the Maritimes to British Columbia, warm fires glow. There is food on our tables, laughter in the air and happiness in our hearts.

Canada has earned this good Christmas, these good things. They are ours to enjoy because we have walked the middle road. We have kept our sense of values. We have been moderate in our pleasures . . . moderate in our spending . . . moderate in all things.

This Christmas is a good Christmas, and The House of Seagram is happy to share the joy of all Canadians as we and you this year say, "Merry Christmas."



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SOUTH OKANAGAN Soldiers' Settlement Project

THIS Department administers the South Okanagan Soldiers' Settlement Project, where there has been developed a thriving, well-to-do community.

In this former sagebrush desert after the last war, the Government dammed the Okanagan River and now distributes much-needed water to over 4,000 acres of the finest fruit-growing land in Canada. In 1945 the total value of produce grown on this land was over \$2,500,000. It promises to be even greater in 1946.

Plans are under way to develop and irrigate upwards of 1,000 additional acres, with an eventual total area of near 8,000 acres.

Settlement, throughout British Columbia, is proceeding steadily, as the following comparative figures indicate:

	10-year Average	1945
Pre-emption records issued	283	115
Purchases of land	2,101	1,056
Crown grants issued	1,258	1,817
Crown grants issued to date, 1946		1,700
Acreage deeded (acres)	69,285	85,034

Increased settlement and land used in 1946 is indicated in the following comparative figures:

	First 8 Months 1945	1946
Total sales completed	662	1013
Total sales value	\$140,922.00	\$209,693.00
Other sales value	205,442.00	251,163.00

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NEWS OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

HITHER AND YON

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. MacLean entertained their bridge club on Saturday evening at their home, 1069 Maple Street.

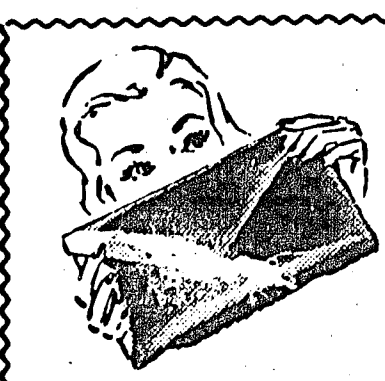
Miss Beth Kelley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Kelley, bank head, entertained friends at her home on Thursday evening, on the occasion of her birthday.

Mr. F. R. H. DeHart entertained friends at the tea hour on Friday afternoon at the Eldorado Arms, honoring her daughter, Miss Diana DeHart, prior to her departure for the East. Mrs. H. F. C. C. and Mrs. H. F. C. C. presided at the candle lit tea table, while friends of Miss DeHart assisted in serving.

Mrs. Ed Minchen was a visitor in Vernon last week, a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Lockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Robinson were recent visitors at Eagle Bay. Miss Martha Bloom, of Salmon Arm, was a recent visitor in Kelowna.

Mrs. J. G. Adam, 2220 Lake Avenue, has as her house guests Mrs. Page and daughter, from South Africa, who arrived in Kelowna recently.



Just Looking, Thank You

By "BUB" YOUNG

Hello, neighbors! One of our largest stores has, in addition to the street show-windows, a series of miniature cases in which are displayed single articles. This week, these small windows were decorated with "futuristic" looking articles gaily painted. We stopped to admire one, and found that it was a paper mache egg carton—the kind which holds a dozen eggs. One side was painted with poster paint in a royal blue color, while the other was covered with gold paint. The results were simply spectacular, and the most were spectacularly simple. Wouldn't such an arrangement painted in gold and silver, or tomato red and robin's egg blue, overflowing with nuts, be stunning as a centre for the Christmas tables?

Plastic scissors for the children to use when cutting out paper dolls were being sold for thirty-five cents. The ends were rounded so that it was impossible to cut, so—for the child to harm herself. The Shopping Service of your mail-order house may be able to procure them for you if you are interested. These come in different colors. Those which we saw were red and blue.

In the "Notions" Department we found a new type of ric-rac braid made from felt. It was displayed in almost every color, but was particularly effective in pink and would make a nice trimming for a woollen dress.

Elastic thread is back on the market again. Attractive bracelets are made by using it to string assorted gay buttons. We remember it as being responsible for our most beautiful blouse which was made of pink chiffon. The pattern was quite simple—plain back, a zipper down the front and set-in sleeves. Beginning at the shoulders and ending at the waist were rows of machine shirring spaced two inches apart. The top thread was of silk.

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"And you can cook and serve in the same dish?"

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"Look! easy to keep clean too."

"It's a cinch compared to pot and pan scouring. And you'd be surprised how little Pyrex dishes cost."

Pyrex ware is available at your dealer.

Pyrex

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. King, of Kelowna, arrived in Kelowna on Friday and will spend several weeks holiday in Kelowna, the guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Walter Anderson, 2300 Abbott Street. They will be here until after the New Year.

Mrs. J. Cameron Day entertained friends at her home on Ellis Street on Wednesday evening, December 11, at bridge.

Miss Betty Preston entertained friends at a bridge party on Tuesday evening, December 11, at her home on Long Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ladd entertained friends at their home, 1826 Abbott Street, at a luncheon following their annual Christmas tree hunt on Sunday.

Miss Doris Leathley entertained a few friends at an after five party on Tuesday evening, December 10, at her home on Water Street.

Mrs. J. D. Henderson, 1890 Ethel Street, left today, Monday, for Vancouver, where she will visit her husband, who is a patient at Shaughnessy Military Hospital. Mrs. Henderson expects to return to Kelowna at the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Pettipiece, 1477 St. Paul Street, entertained members of the staff of Okanagan Trust and Investment Companies on Saturday evening at their home, at an after five party.



BRIDES

At Chalmers United Church, Mrs. B. B. Harvey, of Kelowna, became the bride of Stewart Irving, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving, of Vancouver. Dr. M. Gordon Melvin, D.D., performed the ceremony.

For her wedding, the bride chose a pearly grey dressmaker suit with a small feathered hat on tone. Her accessories were of black and she wore a corsage of roses.

Mrs. Robert Nelson, of Seattle, sister of the bride, was her matron of honor and she chose a rust suit with black accessories for the occasion.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Harvey.

After a honeymoon spent in Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Irving will reside in Vancouver.

HATFIELD-POWELL

On December 1, at the Grace Anglican Church at St. Catharines, Ontario, Frances Marie, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Powell, of Vancouver, formerly of Kelowna, became the bride of H. B. Hatfield, of Toronto. Rev. Hill performed the ceremony.

I.O.D.E. BODY ELECT OFFICERS IN JANUARY

The regular monthly meeting of the Dr. W. J. Knox Chapter of the I.O.D.E. was held on Thursday evening, December 12, at the home of Mrs. S. Burch, 1834 Riverside Avenue.

It was reported that three more pairs of glasses are being purchased for underprivileged children in Kelowna and that a shipment of knitted articles, including two af-gans, two sweaters, six pairs of men's socks, two pairs of children's socks, one baby set and 18 children's sweaters, have been shipped to headquarters in Vancouver by Mrs. Howard Williams, convener of the warwork committee.

The next meeting of the chapter will be held on Thursday evening, January 9, at the home of the regent, Mrs. W. A. C. Bennett, 1979 Ethel St., when the election of officers for 1947 will take place. Heading the nominating committee is Mrs. S. Burch, assisted by Miss Rosemary King and Mrs. A. P. Pettipiece.

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Mrs. S. M. Simpson Again Elected President Of Women's Federation Of First United Church In Kelowna

Mrs. S. M. Simpson was again elected president of the Women's Federation of the First United Church at its annual general meeting held on Wednesday afternoon, December 12, in the Church Hall.

Mrs. George Halford is the past president and Mrs. T. F. McWilliams is vice-president and program convener. Mrs. Lister is the missionary vice-president.

Mrs. Dennis Webster will assume the duties of secretary, and the general treasurer will be Mrs. G. R. Johnson. Mrs. Tilton was elected missionary treasurer and Christian stewardship.

Mrs. Frank Brown will be the pianist for the coming year.

The visiting committee will be composed of Mrs. J. Harvey, who is in charge of community friendship, Mrs. J. Brydon, hospital visiting, and Mrs. W. E. Adams will visit the shut-ins.

Mrs. Bert McKim will be in charge of the social affairs of the typists.

Mrs. Pettipiece reported that 17 books have been purchased for the chapter's adopted school, the Black Mountain School, in Vancouver. These cards are used for the making of scrap books.

Mrs. Douglas Kerr's application for membership to the chapter was accepted.

Federation, while Mrs. Laws heads the house committee. Mrs. Vidler is convener of the missionary supply committee and Mrs. O. L. Jones heads the Christian citizenship and temperance department.

Mrs. F. Cousins will be in charge of publicity and the church bulletin, and Mrs. T. F. McWilliams will again head the Red Cross group.

The above list of officers, together with the conveners of the various church circles and the recognized heads of affiliated societies, such as C.G.I.F., mission band and baby band, constitute the executive of the Federation.

Following the election of officers, a short Christmas program was enjoyed by those present. Mrs. Simpson gave a reading from the Bible.

Harold McBryan left at the week-end for Sarnia, Ontario, where he will spend the Christmas holidays visiting at the home of his parents.

Alan Horner, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Horner, Bankhead, will arrive in Kelowna at the week-end from Vancouver, where he has been attending the University of British Columbia.

Mrs. R. P. Hughes, 745 Harvey Avenue, returned recently from several weeks holiday spent in Iowa.

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SHRIMP-ORANGE COCKTAIL:—Serve this unusual opening course in sherbet glasses lined with crisp lettuce or in orange shells.

Combine equal amounts of shrimp and diced orange sections, allowing $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of the mixture for each serving. Toss together lightly and sprinkle with a few drops of lemon juice. Just before serving, top with a tablespoon or two of a well-seasoned Thousand Island dressing.

RIPE OLIVES BORDELAISE:—For an unusual accompaniment to an opening course, or a relish, try this different way with ripe olives. Be sure to serve them piping hot, for it enhances the flavor.

Place 2 cups ripe olives and olive liquid in a small saucepan. Add 1 to 2 tablespoons salad oil and 3 quartered buds of garlic. Let stand for several hours. Just before serving, bring to boiling point. Drain and serve hot. Serves 6.

BAKED ONIONS AND PEAS:—If your turkey doesn't fill your oven, here's an excellent idea for a vegetable for your Christmas dinner. The flavor combination is a perfect one to go with turkey or chicken.

Wash and peel 1 pound of small dry onions; place in casserole and season with butter, salt and pepper. Cover and bake in a moderately hot oven (400° F.) 35 minutes or until almost tender. Add 2 cups of cooked or canned peas. Cover and bake 5 minutes, or until peas are heated through. Serves 6.

HOT MINCEMEAT SUNDAY:—If you are still wondering what to serve for dessert, then this quick and easy idea is just for you. Mix it the day before, then let it simmer during your dinner.

Mix together 1 cup mincemeat, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup each of chopped nut meats and orange juice, and $\frac{1}{4}$ cup each of dark corn syrup and brown sugar, firmly packed. Let stand overnight. Just before serving, simmer gently 10 to 15 minutes. Serve hot over vanilla ice cream, allowing 1 to 2 tablespoons for each serving. Serves 6 to 8.

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DECEMBER RATION CALENDAR

Date	Supp.	Per	Butter	Meat
December 5	S-36	B-34	B-62	
December 12	S-36	B-34	B-62	
December 19	S-37, S-38	B-35	B-64	
December 26	S-37, S-38	B-36	B-65	
Christmas Eve	S-1 to S-35	B-29 to B-56 to B-57	B-61	

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CHRISTMAS FOOD GUIDE

Here's a package you should look into before Christmas week rolls around! Check this "food guide" and prepare a list of holiday foods you can buy this week. Get them now at your neighborhood Safeway. Only the perishable foods will then remain to be picked up next week when all stores are certain to be busy!

Beans	Choice, cut, wax, 20-oz. can	19c
Olives	Sylmar, chopped, ripe, 4 1/2-oz. can	19c
Cherries	Bright's, red, pitted, 20-oz. can	27c
Peaches	Bestoval, choice, 20-oz. can	23c
Apple Juice	O. K. brand, 48-oz. can	31c
Lemon Juice	Exchange brand, 6-oz. can	2 for 23c
Orange Juice	Florida, 20-oz. can	22c
Tomato Juice	Sunny Dawn, choice, 20-oz. can	14c
Canterbury Tea	Rich in flavour, 16-oz. pkg.	65c
Queen Olives	Club House, giant pimiento, 9-oz. jar	55c
Figs	Choice Black, 16-oz. cello pkg.	32c

PEARS	Harper House, choice, 20-oz. can	20c
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OLIVES	Black, mammoth, ripe, 12-oz. jar	49c
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FIGS	Smyrna, 16-oz. cello bag	27c
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COFFEE	Edward's, regular or drip, 16-oz. can	41c
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GRAPES	Emperor, sweet, juicy, lb.	23c
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CRANBERRIES	Eastern, freshly picked, lb.	61c
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GRAPEFRUIT	Snow-white, Pink, lb.	19c
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VALUES IN FRESH PRODUCE

Oranges	Tangerines	Sweet, thin skin, lb.	14c
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Potatoes	Netted Gem, smooth, clean, 10 lbs.	25c	
Turnips	Young, tender, smooth, 8 lbs.	25c	
Tomatoes	Firm, ripe, imported, lb.	24c	
Brussels Sprouts	Tender, compact heads, lb.	27c	
Cauliflower	Snow-white heads, lb.	17c	
Celery	Green, fresh, clean, crunchy, lb.	10c	

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Prime Rib Roast	BEEF, Red Brand, 2 lbs. per coupon	33c
Blade Roast	BEEF, Red Brand, 2 1/2 lbs. per coupon	25c

HAMS	Swift, Burns, 1/2 or whole, lb.	44c
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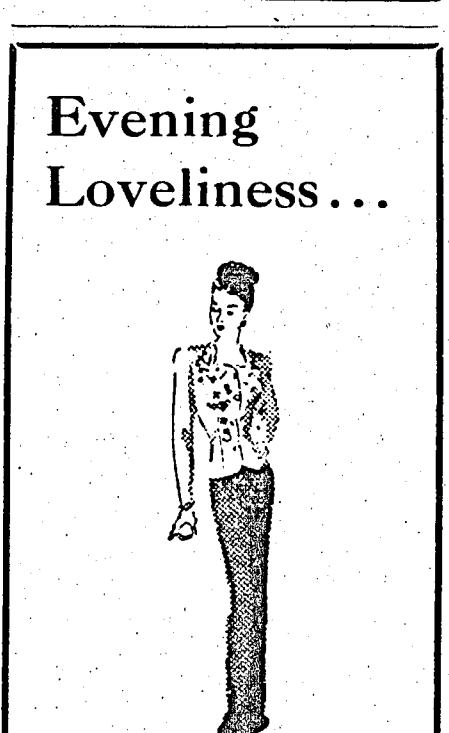
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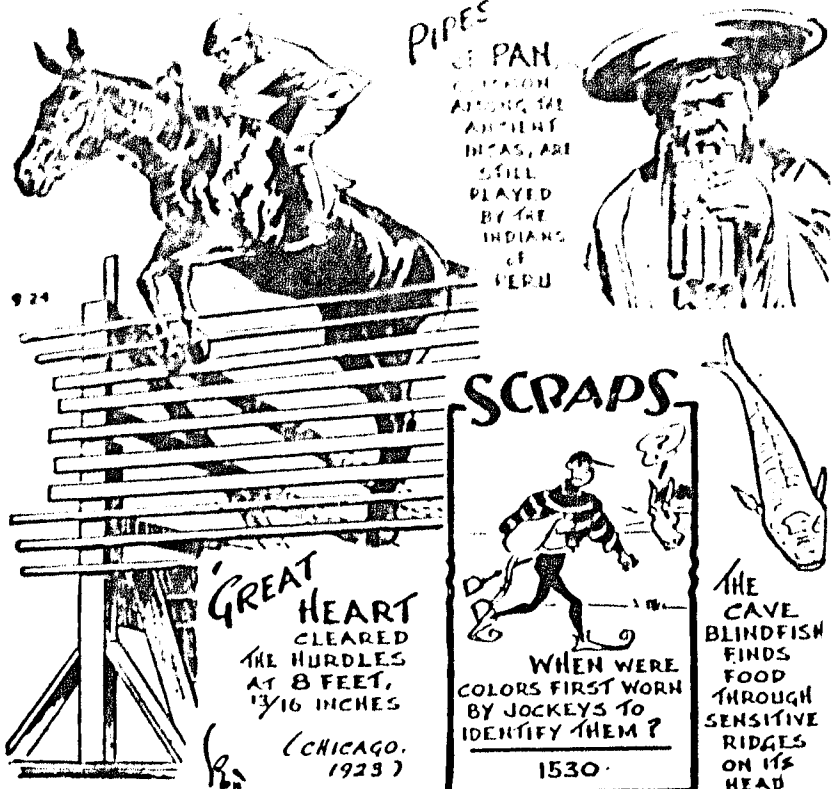
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WIDE TERRITORY UNDER CONTROL OF NEW ZEALAND

Islands Scattered from Equator to South Pole Administered by Dominion

AUCKLAND, N.Z.—(CP)—New Zealand, usually referred to as the smallest of the Dominions, administers territories spread over a vast area. In fact, they extend from the Equator to the South Pole.

However, many of these are more uninhabited coral atolls separated from each other by hundreds of miles of sea, and at the other end of the scale is a large wedge of the Antarctic region, also uninhabited. With the end of the war the future of several of these far-flung territories is causing concern and it is likely that they will be frequently in the news.

Farthest north is Nauru, the rich phosphate island almost on the Equator, formerly owned by Germany. Its mandate is held jointly by Britain, Australia and New Zealand and it plays a vital part in the Dominion's economy because of the great reliance placed on the fertilizer drawn from there to secure a larger yield from pastures in dairy districts. It is now a scene of great activity as major repair work is carried out to restore damage to equipment done by Germans and Japanese during the war.

South of Nauru are the Cook Islands, an integral part of New Zealand, which consist of about 15 main islands lying between nine and 22 degrees south latitude, and the Union Islands, which lie between eight and 10 degrees south latitude, and are administered by New Zealand on behalf of Britain.

Growing political consciousness among the 16,000 inhabitants of the Cook Islands, mostly natives closely allied to the Maoris of New Zealand, has led to a demand for political representation in the Dominion's parliament. This has so far not been granted, but the government has made concession by establishing a legislative council for the islands, comprising 10 official members from the administration and 10 unofficial members elected by the inhabitants. The resident commissioner has a casting vote.

Defence Bases

Several of the islands in the Cook or Union groups may be considered in the next few years for development as bases. The groups form part of the natural South Pacific defensive chain running to the north of Australia and New Zealand. If the United States decided to maintain fortifications in this chain, it may seek rights in some of these islands. In any case military writers in New Zealand believe that the Dominion Government will establish defence bases in this area.

Most populous of the Pacific groups administered by New Zealand is the mandate of Western Samoa, taken from the Germans in the First Great War, which has a population of 66,000, mostly natives. New Zealand has offered to hand this mandate over to the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations.

New Zealand controls a number of sub-tropical islands. South of New Zealand lie Auckland, Campbell, Antipodes and Bounty Islands, largely uninhabited down the years. Sheep have been established on some from time to time and wartime meteorological stations are being maintained.

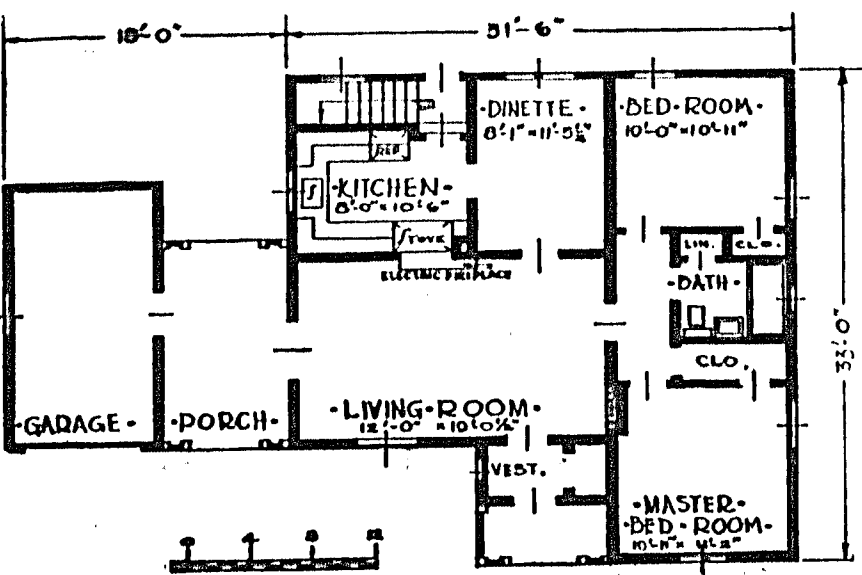
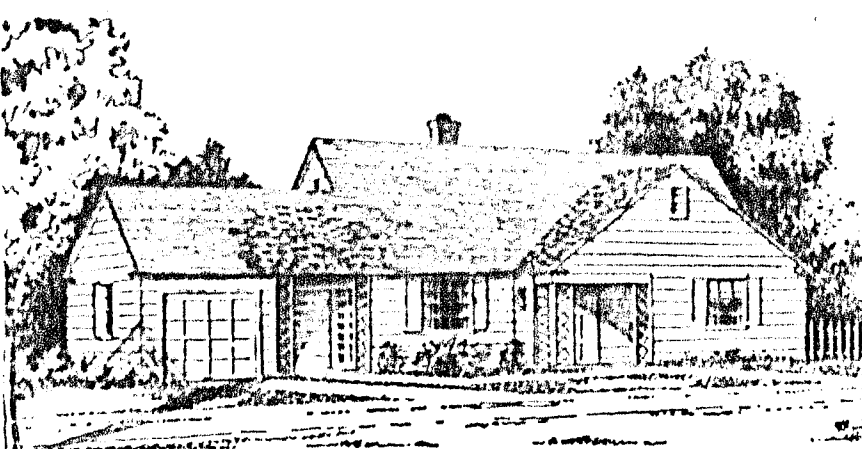
New Zealand's responsibility for the Ross Dependency, a segment of the Antarctic regions extending from 60 degrees south latitude to the South Pole, has been largely technical, but plans have been mooted for Australian and New Zealand participation in an Antarctic expedition within the next few years. New Zealand's interest in the southern seas has also caused her to view with alarm the resumption of Japanese whaling in these waters, and a resumption on anything more than a temporary basis will certainly meet with strong New Zealand opposition.

MERCHANT SAYS WINDOW LIGHTS NOT TURNED OFF

The proprietor of Ritchie's Dry Goods Store complained to the City Council on December 9th that the lights of the store had not been turned off regularly for the past two months, and thought an explanation was forthcoming.

Council's reply will be to the effect the city is not responsible for turning off the lights, that it is a service provided through arrangements made with the Board of Trade and Retail Merchants' Association.

N. H. A. HOME-OF-THE-MONTH



FLOOR PLAN

Featuring ample living comfort, convenience and privacy through compact arrangement of space, this two-bedroom frame house has been selected as the N.H.A. home-of-the-month for November.

The N.H.A. home-of-the-month has been chosen from plans of houses currently being built and financed under the National Housing Act. Conforming with N.H.A. standards and planned by Canadians for the Canadian way of living, it may help to provide some ideas for others who wish to build with N.H.A. or private financing.

Under the National Housing Act, loans for new houses are made on a basis of joint participation by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and approved lending institutions. All negotiations are conducted through the lending institution.

In this month's house, which is in the moderate cost field, the spacious living room, together with the connecting porch, provides an excellent opportunity to enjoy the advantages of both indoor and outdoor living. The large well-planned kitchen has ample cupboard and counter space. The connecting hall between the living room and the bedroom-bathroom area assures the maximum possible privacy in a house of this type. The exterior is simple and direct with the garage frankly placed in its most convenient position near the street frontage. Cubage is 25,750 cu. ft., including garage and porches.

(Note—Please do not write to Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for plans or cost estimates of this house. For further information consult a local architect.)



STRIKES & SPARES

Results of Games Played By Local Leagues At Bowling Alleys

LADIES' FIVE-PIN LEAGUE

(Wednesday, December 11)

Gwen Reece was the main spring in the all-out Simpson's assault, on the Bank of Montreal five, her 617 topping all others for three games. Ribbel's Photos ran a close second with 613, making Ribbel's also victors for all three games against the Boop-Boop-A-Doops.

Doris Lesmeister and her Mitchell's Cleaners' squad shared a different fate. Doris rolled the highest single of the night, 274, but the Ration Board took all three just the same. Bank of Commerce took a brace from the Greenhorns, and also both team figures, 895 and 2481.

Greenhorns (1)—Schleppe 392, Valentine 491, Ogborn 363, Fairweather 309, Horn 321, handicap 308. 673, 679, 845-1195.
Bank of Commerce (2)—Witt 601, Williams (2) 289, Maywood 547, Weintz 526, Law 365, Buhman (1) 153. 800, 895, 786-2481.

Boop-Boop-A-Doops (0)—Bell 436, J. Johnson 425, S. Johnson 313, Valentine 428, Nuysens 507. 706, 708, 695-2109.
Ribbel's Photos (3)—Anderson, (2) 178, Wilderman 428, Dalcol 459, Ford 613, Turner (2) 266, Smith (2) 371, handicap 125. 735, 865, 840-2440.

Mitchell's Cleaners (0)—Sargeant 412, Pritchard 405, Lesmeister 494, C. Faulconer 321, Hunt (2), 235, A. Faulconer (1) 115. 588, 748, 646-1982.
Ration Board (3)—Frey 440, Peters 359, Pritchard 436, Cowan 411, J. Cowan 427. 617, 785, 671-2073.

Bank of Montreal (0)—Rife 543, Brooks 392, Flegel (2) 201, Cousins (2) 158, Jackson 426, Boyer (2) 210. 612, 606, 712-1930.
Simpson's (3)—Kass (2) 225, Carlson 359, Siller (2) 268, Reece 617, Mannering (2) 262, Franks 432, handicap 180. 690, 839, 814-2343.

O. C. Laundry (2)—Welsh 596, Welder 390, Fortier 327, Stolz (2) 180, Smith (2) 177, Hinton (2) 285, handicap 169. 673, 654, 797-2124.
Post Office (1)—Dooley 358, Mitchell (2) 338, Jenkins 511, Dooley 235, Newton 423, Locock (1) 148. 688, 645, 741-2074.

Fumerton's (2)—White 317, Guidi 540, Montgomery 230, Vidler 271, handicap 426. 567, 576, 641-1784.
Brown's Pharmacy (1)—Hemel-speck 496, Huscroft 492, Reiter 329, Lipsett 566. 689, 568, 626-1883.

Sc to St Store (1)—Kennedy 392, Brown 343, Napora 352, M. McElvey (2) 145, Huckey 298, T. McElvey (1) 162, handicap 198. 533, 567, 688-1788.
Royalties (2)—Curts 384, Cope 394, Richards 440, Jolliffe 176, Carrew 502. 656, 675, 565-1896.

K.G.E. (2)—Green 509, Haldane 322, Hardy 423, Gregory 384, Booth 277. 675, 663, 577-1915.
Ok Telephone (1)—Reay 230, Poole 329, Cassis 380, Porter 394, Kaminski 346, handicap 201. 584, 650, 646-1880.

Shaw-Maclaren (4)—Taylor 439, Newby 348, Solmer 386, Thomson 251, handicap 134. 697, 636, 659-1992.
Scantland's (1)—J. Scantland (2) 286, C. Scantland (2) 220, Brummer 372, Wilson (2) 283, Ryder 332, Niblock 456. 623, 611, 715-1949.

MIXED FIVE-PIN LEAGUE

(Thursday, December 12)

Margaret Rife went on one of her periodic sprees again and rolled up a triple score of 594 to lead the powder-puff parade. In the single division, Mrs. Ivy Witt hit the top with 250.

Rico Guidi, consistent male standard-bearer, acted as if he liked his enviable role, posting a 290 single, and a sparkling triple of 805, one of the highest seen on the alleys yet, and certainly the highest for this league. His team-mates, Standard Service, dishd up 2893 for team triple, while team single was taken by Campbell and Company's 1011, four better than Standard's 1007.

Miscellaneous (2)—Leckie 467, M. Brown 588, F. Brown 417, Morgan 390, Locock 509. 713, 865, 793-2371.
O.K. (1)—W. Bay 428, Doe 444, Badley 433, Neisser 490, Patterson 444, handicap 18. 738, 760, 759-2257.

Modern Appliances (1)—K. Buckland 398, Green 481, N. Brodie 357, J. Buckland 437, W. Brodie 426. 657, 744, 698-2099.
Legion Jeeps (2)—Ansell 475, McKinnon 468, Campbell 315, Marshall 515, Doe 357, handicap 234. 828, 725, 811-2364.

Campbell & Co. (2)—Ashley 491, McCarty 355, Mayland 580, Schumaker 523, Mildenberger 671, 819, 790, 1011-2620.
Okanagan Investments (1)—Butt 391, Wilson 381, Austin 475, Carr-Hilton 435, Renkewitz 620, handicap 159. 803, 799, 860-2461.

Legion Fargos (1)—L. Kane 263, W. Kane 540, M. Lipsett 487, C. Lipsett 523, Doe 465, handicap 84. 882, 736, 744-2362.
Bank of Montreal (2)—Rife 594, Drew 374, Kurtz 391, Paulding 800, Raikes 500. 827, 817, 805-2449.

Standard Service (1)—Bell 574, I. Witt 572, Estock 417, Guidi 805, E. Witt 523. 999, 1007, 887-2893.
Bank of Commerce (2)—Clark 491, J. Mutch 519, B. Mutch 475, Buhman 451, Lees 490, handicap 372. 757, 1017, 1024-2798.

Harris Meat Mt. (1)—C. Harris 681, M. Harris 562, Feist 533, Mills 432, Wilkinson 415. 884, 927, 792-2603.
Kelowna Motors (2)—Hubbard 293, August 636, Wright 540, Thomson 396, Doe 348, handicap 396. 894, 854, 881-2609.

Canadian Legion (2)—A. McFarlane 554, D. McFarlane 328, F. Sutton 545, D. Sutton 319, Robson 659, handicap 76. 856, 756, 889-2481.
Waldron's (1)—Krasselt (2) 211, R. Waldron (2) 207, Dillon 431, Wilson 552, Kerr 428, E. Waldron (2) 198. 630, 835, 562-2027.

Koalas (0)—Roberts 500, Brown (2) 138, Maywood 429, Zaiser 721, Fenlon 424, Kurtz (1) 79, handicap 92. 700, 779, 744-2283.
Courier (3)—Doe 447, Hemel-speck 423, Reiter 532, Spiers 555, P. O. 608. 802, 978, 785-2565.

Aces (1)—Palmer 446, B. Whillits 355, J. Whillits 437, F. McKay 506, G. McKay 615. 861, 704, 854-2419.
Sc to St Store (2)—D. Hayman 395, H. Shirreff 455, C. Shirreff 460, B. Hayman 474, Hugh Shirreff 542, handicap 192. 684, 868, 966-2518.



By JOHN RAYMOND

Canadian Press Staff Writer

VICTORIA, B.C.—(CP)—Governments of British Columbia and the Dominion have agreed on terms that will undoubtedly lead to signing of a new taxation agreement.

Word to this effect from reliable sources in Ottawa was greeted with quiet satisfaction in government circles here. Observers believe that the Dominion may now have agreed to relinquish some minor tax fields held exclusively by the provinces in pre-war years. These include gasoline, electricity, amusements and the like.

There will be no official announcement of details until Premier Hart, now en route to Victoria, confers with his cabinet. He remained in Ottawa two weeks pressing the province's demands, although he had originally planned to remain there only two days.

Indications now are that the next session of the Legislature will be held late in January. The premier had previously said that if his Ottawa mission was successful there would be no need to hold the session until then. Failing agreement, the Legislature would have been assembled at the end of December.

Premier Hart was reported in the best of humor after completing Ottawa negotiations, smiling and chuckling when he talked to reporters.

British Columbia would be the fourth province to enter agreement with the Dominion to replace wartime taxation agreements under which the provinces gave up income and corporation taxes in 1941.

It is believed that Mr. Hart's proposals call for subsidy payments considerable in excess of the \$18,000,000 the Dominion offered to pay at the conference which ended in failure last May.

Most of the negotiations were carried on with Hon. Douglas Abbott, whose appointment as finance minister has just been announced.

The British Columbia Teachers' Federation have prepared a brief urging public school act amendments which would strip the government of many of its educational powers and provide an iron-clad closed-shop for teachers.

The brief will be presented to the cabinet sometime before Christmas. It urges:

1. A closed shop for the B.C. teaching profession.
2. Complete autonomy of the Federation in disciplining its teachers.
3. Compulsory check-off of dues by government deductions from salary grants to school districts.

The deductions would approximate \$64,000 annually, based on present payrolls. The Federation wants the school act amended to read that "no person shall be appointed to teach in public school unless he (or she) is a member of the Federation."

It provides, however, that teachers now employed who do not favor compulsory union may write themselves out of membership by letter to the Federation secretary within six months of passing of the amendment.

Sixteen mayors and 17 reeves in British Columbia were returned by acclamation on Nomination Day, Dec. 9.

They were: Mayors: Vernon, D. Howie; Grand Forks, D. C. Manly; Greenwood, W. E. McArthur; Kelowna, W. B. Hughes-Games; Slokan City, Mrs. Emily Popoff; Kaslo, Geo. S. Baker; Kamloops, Fred W. Scott; Revelstoke, Walter Hardman; Nanaimo, Geo. Muir; Courtenay, Chas. H. Simms; Alberni, C. C. Cocks; Prince George, Jack Nicholson; North Vancouver, Jack Loutet; Kimberley, Clifford Swan; Salmon Arm, Maj. H. W. Scales; Chilliwack City, T. T. McCammon.

Reeves: Coldstream, A. Brown; Glenmore, Chas. Henderson; Delta, J. W. Kirkland; Maple Ridge, Solomon Mussalem; Langley, Noor-Booth; Sumas, Alex. Haugen; Richmond, R. M. Grauer; Fraser Mills, F. G. Wright; Oak Bay, Walter Walker; Mission, A. D. McRae; Tadanac, L. M. DeLong; Saanich, E. C. Warren; Summerland, W. A. Powell; Surrey, J. R. Archibald; North Cowichan, D. B. Chapman; Salmon Arm, Maj. L. S. Metford; Chilliwack, W. T. Richardson.

WILL CONSIDER PLACING NAMES ON CENOTAPH

Matter of placing the names of servicemen who paid the Supreme Sacrifice, on the Cenotaph in the City Park, will be taken up by the War Memorial committee, A. K. Loyd, chairman, told members of the City Council December 9.

REHABILITATION BODY REQUESTS \$500 CITY GRANT

Application for a grant of \$500 from the Kelowna and district Rehabilitation Committee, was tabled for the 1947 City Council.

On December 9 City Fathers were informed that the Rehabilitation Committee has been asked to continue for at least another year, and a request was also received for a Council member to sit on a special committee to review employment conditions in the city. The appointment was also left to the 1947 Council.

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MANY THANKS

TO ALL THOSE WHO GAVE ME THEIR SUPPORT IN THE CIVIC ELECTIONS.

While naturally disappointed that I was not elected, I offer my hearty congratulations to the successful candidates. I think the voters have made a wise choice . . . but I still think:

A WOMAN IS NEEDED ON THE CITY COUNCIL

Phyllis M. Gore

Well Done KELOWNA

YOU HAVE DONE WELL . . . A RECORD TURNOUT AND A WISE CHOICE . . .

To my many supporters I tender my sincere thanks for your expression in the recent elections.

Let's help your newly elected Council by constructive criticism and whole-hearted support.

T. G. Griffith

My Thanks

I WISH TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORTED ME IN THE RECENT CIVIC ELECTION AND OFFER MY CONGRATULATIONS AND THE BEST OF LUCK TO THE NEWLY FORMED CITY COUNCIL.

A. G. SHELLEY

THANK YOU!

ELECTORS OF KELOWNA

... for the support given me in the recent election.

I shall endeavor to justify your confidence by serving your best interests at all times.

O. L. Jones

TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF KELOWNA

May I at this time express my appreciation to all those who expressed confidence in me in the recent election.

I shall do my very best to serve the best interests of our city.

Maurice Meikle

I want to take this opportunity of thanking all ratepayers for the support they gave me and other candidates in last Thursday's civic election.

I will endeavor to do my best at all times.

J. J. LADD

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IMPORTANT

A. E. Arscott, President, The Canadian Bank of Commerce, States

Test of High Employment is Foreign Countries' Willingness to Trade With Canada

INDUSTRIAL UPTURN IN LAST TWO MONTHS

S. M. Wedd, Vice-President and General Manager, Presents Strong Statement of Bank Record Assets and Deposits.

At the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of The Canadian Bank of Commerce, held in the Head Office of the Bank in the City of Toronto, December 16th, Mr. Allan E. Arscott, C.B.E., President, and Mr. Stanley M. Wedd, Vice-President and General Manager, presented the Annual Statement of the Bank's operations for the past year, together with a review of business conditions. Mr. Arscott's address to the meeting follows, in part:

More than twelve months have passed since the fighting ceased on the battlefronts of the recent World War. The people of many of the countries involved are directing their efforts now towards the achievement of their ideals of peace-time activity, and so it is in Canada.

At the end of our crop year we view a country which has received a full measure of the bounty of Providence. This year's crops over all are among the highest on record. The harvest in the Prairie Provinces has been outstanding. The orchard districts have prospered, although the difficulties of obtaining adequate packing and shipping materials hindered for a time the marketing of many of the products. Forestry operations are the most active ever undertaken in Canada, owing to a peak demand at home and abroad for lumber, wood pulp and newsprint. All in all the year now coming to a close can be considered a good one so far as our primary products are concerned.

Canada has so long been considered by many to be a country dependent for its prosperity on the products of the land, be it in agriculture, forestry or mining, or of the sea, that the industrial development which took place during the war years may be overlooked. This development was essential to the war effort, and the year that has just passed we have commenced a noteworthy reconversion to peace-time activities.

RECONVERSION
A year ago we faced a major task of reconverting Canada's greatly enlarged productive system to cope with the anticipated needs of peace-time both in Canada and abroad. This change-over involved the cancellation of contracts of over \$1,000 million, the transference of at least 1½ million people from the armed forces and munition plants to civilian occupations, the reconversion of overworked industries and the redistribution of available materials. Up to six months ago excellent progress had been made but then delays ensued through a series of circumstances, disputes which crippled the production of many factories and mills during the past summer. We lost among other things, during that period a very large volume of industrial production, which might now be regarded as the "unfinished business" of the current year and which must be undertaken anew. In the two months there has been a resumption of business in all industrial fields, and taking the year as a whole, how well this massive and arduous reconversion work has been done may be judged by a few facts.

Civilian employment during the year reached a record peace-time level, in spite of the difficulties of relocation, and it has been estimated that in the spring of this year 454 million people were gainfully employed. Production of civilian goods generally has been high—exceeding, in many lines, the volume established in 1939. Noticeable, too, has been the buoyancy of our exports which have been at an average monthly rate of roughly \$175 million, and this without the volume of war supplies that bulked large in exports in the war years. This average in comparison with 1935-1939 figures is about double the pre-war value. Imports for a monthly average of approximately \$150 million were the highest in the recent history of this country. I think we can all agree that this record is a worthy accomplishment.

MAIN OBJECTIVES
There have been unforeseen difficulties to cope with in this transition period and they are not yet solved. New problems and issues that were in the first instance considered of secondary importance now are developing to an extent that commands careful thought and study.

From the maze of ideas and ideals that gained prominence during the war years two stand out: the objective of a high level of employment and the desire for stability. These "targets" are not capable of achievement merely through legislative enactment nor are they capable of precise statistical measurement, yet they may serve to set the course of economic activity for years to come. To reach these objectives there are a number of factors to be reckoned with and a thorough understanding of these is of prime importance. I have particular reference to the impact of the war-time expansion of money, the cost and price of commodities (both domestic and foreign), and the effects of taxation.

In approaching the problem of retaining a high level of employment we must remember that during the war years our productive capacity and our productive possibilities increased many times over—but for war purposes. Now we have the tasks of encouraging and increasing the rate and volume of consumption of our products both at home and abroad. With a view to stability, our efforts must be directed to maintaining a balance between deflation and

assuming the same rate of production, and to completing the cycle with everyone back in his relative position.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Throughout the war years many reports have been received of the high standing of Canada and Canadians. Even in recent months Canada's role as a creditor country has been noted favorably in other countries, perhaps because few, if any, political strings are attached. This is all to the good, and no Canadian can be other than proud of this record. However, war conditions pass, and no less than ourselves are the people in other countries working toward rehabilitation. It is at this point that we must trade not on our record of the war years but on the quality of our products and on our prices relative to competitors. Changing costs of production and other allied factors may well alter our terms of trade to our disadvantage. The test of sustained high domestic employment is the continued willingness of foreign countries to engage in trade with us.

Our stake in world trade is perhaps as high as that of most countries involved in the trade discussions to be carried on in connection with the operation of international monetary agreements. Unless nations work together on problems of trade, efforts to stabilize exchange rates and to encourage the flow of international trade will have little chance of being effective. International trade is the keystone of the whole program of economic co-operation. It is obvious, therefore, that our aims must be at least to maintain the current level of exports, to trade with a wide variety of countries, and to achieve a well-rounded balance with all countries. It seems reasonable therefore to support the rehabilitation of European economic areas and their import-export programs.

In conclusion, I may say that in today's transition period it is necessary to recognize the difficulties involved in replacing the war-time goods in short supply, then to that extent the threat is reduced, but it will still be present until increased production at relatively stable prices brings the domestic supply of goods into balance with the present volume of money.

In interpreting inflationary or deflationary tendencies it is usual to begin with an assumed balance between goods and services available on the one hand, and the purchasing power of the people on the other. Deviations from this balance are viewed as inflationary or deflationary depending upon which factor is in greater supply. The quantity of money available now for consumption is the same as in the pre-war period, but the supply of goods emphasizes the inflationary potential. In pursuing this pattern of thought caution must be exercised in assuming that people will spend without regard for price or exercise of choice. However, as I have indicated already, the swing of the pendulum depends upon many factors, not the least of which is the attitude of the consuming public—and their attitude cannot be forecast with any degree of accuracy.

Having regard for the above circumstances it is in the interests of all business in terms of current conditions the significance of term "pent-up demand", and what has become known as the "backlog" of unfulfilled demand. Ordinarily, it is governed by prices, and upward price adjustments may serve to restrain the volume of replacement demand. Care must be taken, however, not to make commitments which depend for success upon further price increases and free spending. Also it cannot be overlooked that "prices" in the market can happen both at home and abroad. Hence it is necessary to keep in mind that increasing costs of production can be the main contributing factor to such a development.

TAXATION
During war years taxes are paid willingly by main because people are motivated by a sense of patriotism and duty. When this urge subsides the continued heavy burden of taxation becomes noticeable and acts as a deterrent to investment, to risk-taking, to saving, and also to productive activity. It must be recognized that taxes, whether they are levied on goods or services or earnings, in the end fall upon the citizens. It is impossible to appraise the reaction of all individuals concerned, but with the great body of workers the important factor is not the gross income before tax deduction at the source, but the amount of the "take-home" pay. In the individual's mind the question of whether or not he is being reasonably rewarded for his work hinges on the net amount he receives in his pay envelope. Thus the natural incentive of the worker to put forth extra effort to achieve maximum per capita production, with higher gross earnings, tends to diminish when heavily graduated income taxes have the effect of allowing a relatively lower net return for the extra work; consequently production suffers. In like fashion very high taxes have the effect of discouraging venture capital necessary for the development of those assets which have a relatively high rate of depletion.

Taxation and spending in the main are inseparable. It is well understood that taxes are necessary and that no single ideal expenditure-revenue pattern can be outlined. The effect, however, of continued heavy taxation on peace-time activity in all spheres suggests fresh study towards revision of the whole tax structure. Also, consideration may well be given to the advisability of turnover or selective sales taxes to a greater extent to allow of a modification of direct income taxes which are having a hampering effect on business and production in general.

PRODUCTION AND WAGES

The task of production has been increased by work stoppages and shortages. Because of the interdependence of all branches of industry a disturbance or dislocation in any one part of the economy causes a wave of disorganization throughout the entire system. This has been demonstrated in recent months. Wage issues cannot be segregated from the well-being of the community. In this connection I think it timely to point out that changes in rates of pay for certain groups do little more than shift the groups comprising the demand over the available supply than those groups not included in pay increases. And an over-all increase,

assuming the same rate of production, and to completing the cycle with everyone back in his relative position.

needless to say, would tend to increase the demand for goods and services, and thus create a further imbalance.

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Thirty-five Resolutions Under Consideration For BCFGA Parley In January

THIRTY-FIVE resolutions are already registered for consideration at the forthcoming B.C.F.G.A. annual convention to be held here in January. The resolutions are grouped under such designations as industry protection, administration, B.C. Tree Fruits Ltd., research, labor, transportation, rehabilitation, income tax, insurance and general.

The resolutions under industry protection may be summarized as follows: South and East Kelowna local asks that the advisability of the fruit industry acquiring timber limits be further studied. The suggestion is that this would be a step towards assuring a continued supply of boxes.

Osoyoos asks that, as the supply of boxes is becoming limited and more expensive, the industry investigate, and, if necessary, aid in the production of, some other suitable container than wooden boxes.

Creston wants more fire protection and better reforestation policies for the irrigation watersheds. To further increase the quality of a fruit, Superintendent suggests that a B.C.F.G.A. department be created to "improve, co-ordinate and standardize picking, storing and packing."

Working toward the same end, South and East Kelowna asks for stricter supervision of all responsible for the physical handling of the fruit.

Winfield and Okanagan Centre local suggests that there should be a fertilizer education campaign conducted by the Dominion Department of Agriculture in order that the growers might be better equipped to attempt to eliminate the use of "self-preservation" with the ideals of individual freedom and liberty.

In this task we must not lose sight of the principles of democratic society, as we know them, in place of the seemingly attractive alternative proposals which ultimately lead to the subjugation of the individual to the state. It is not any one person or group who has the responsibility but it becomes our business—the business of everyone—when conditions arise which make it impossible to operate as a free people.

We Canadians, and I believe I speak for all of us, understood that the recent war was fought to destroy the possibility of control over our lives by the arbitrary power of a few. Maintenance of this objective through the transition is of equal importance. Let it be remembered that individual freedom and democratic government are the highest yet most difficult way of life to attain.

GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS
We are pleased to present to you a balance sheet which indicates a satisfactory record for the business of the Bank and also to report that the number of our individual customers, both borrowers and depositors, is continuing to show a substantial increase. Our aggregate deposits, over 1,500,000. This is a gratifying reflection of our useful service.

As you will observe from the Annual Statement which is before you, the total assets of the Bank stand at \$1,441,581,728, an increase of \$157,260,944 in the past twelve months. Quick assets aggregate \$1,116,523,416, or about 81 per cent of the Bank's liabilities to the public. We have on deposit with the Bank of Canada and in notes of that Bank \$140,193,543. Notes of and cheques on other banks amount to \$37,421,893. Dominion and Provincial Government securities, of which over 36 per cent mature within two years, stand at \$770,381,773.

Public securities other than Canadian now aggregate \$63,733,181. These are mostly represented by the obligations of the United Kingdom and of the United States.

Our Call Loans in Canada, which amount to \$14,526,710 are down from last year and reflect to some degree the readjustment which has been taking place in the various stock markets. This also applies to the figures of our Call Loans elsewhere which presently stand at \$9,024,053.

Current loans in Canada now amount to \$237,869,093. There is an increase of \$50,978,322 in these figures which is an indication of the general activity of post-war business. Our current loans elsewhere amount to \$27,325,940.

The total of the deposits by the public stands at \$1,233,018,308, represented by \$536,145,245 in current accounts and \$696,873,063 bearing interest.

Earnings for the past year are higher and it will be noted that after providing for increased dividends the amount carried forward into the Profit and Loss Account is \$601,239. This is \$205,713 in excess of the amount carried forward a year ago.

Our various branches continue to be very busy and in a number of instances are obviously in need of enlargement. However, rather than accelerate the existing shortages in materials, we are restricting our building program to the bare necessities for the time being. Painting and repairs are of course being proceeded with as the situation requires and as manpower is available.

It is a source of great satisfaction to welcome back to the Bank so many of our staff who were in the Services. We are taking all possible steps to see that the period they have been away has not been a handicap to them.

I should like to emphasize at this time that the satisfactory results of the past year's business are ample evidence that the staff of the Bank and these groups comprising them are a splendid group of men and women, of whom the shareholders can be justly proud.

Rehabilitation
Keremeos-Cawston wants the convention to press for the development of the Cawston bench for returned men.

Income Tax
Creston wants married women to be exempted from income tax up to \$750 where they are competent and engaged in the essential preparation of food.

Osoyoos wants the convention to go on record as urging the removal of the recently imposed income tax on co-ops.

General
Creston wants better weather forecasting for the Kootenays. Creston wants irrigation sprinklers made available to farmers. There are now none on the market.

Oliver wants Ottawa to allow free entry into Canada of aluminum and steel pipe, fittings, etc., required for the sprinkler type of irrigation.

Okanagan Mission and Kelowna local wants the town planning act regulations amended so that the board to administer the act in rural areas shall include the B.C.F.G.A. director in the area concerned.

CITY JAYCEES UNANIMOUSLY ADOPT BYLAWS

Constitution Completely Revamped and Will Be Distributed to All Members

Constitution and by-laws of the Junior Chamber of Commerce have been completely revamped and enlarged.

A committee that spent weeks preparing a new and up-to-date constitution, incorporating the by-laws, presented the draft to the regular monthly meeting at the Royal Anne Hotel, Dec. 4th. Roy Hunt was chairman and the committee also included Bob Hayman and Harry Witt. The proposed constitution was adopted unanimously. Copies will be printed and distributed to all members.

Approval was given by the Jaycees to setting up a committee to periodically inspect and maintain the special showboat barge to be used every year in the Lady of the Lake contest during Regatta time.

One committee report showed plans well under way for the unit service clubs' New Year's Eve dance at the Scout Hall. Lions, Klansmen and the Jaycees are all working together to stage the big dance.

Two new members, Albert Mamed and Art Douglas, were welcomed to the ranks of the club. A resolution was adopted that in the event of the half-day being

back to Newhaven, England, he writes:

"Another failure. Whatever the generals and admirals might say, I felt that it had been a failure. All these good men dead or captured. For what?"

"Our Share of Night" also is a tribute to the courage and sacrifice, the "selflessness, tolerance and humility" of the men who fought the war. But it also expresses frank remarks on the corruption and brutalization of character that is a part of war. Of this phase, Mr. Middleton is especially critical of American soldiers, brave and excellent troops, but too often, after victory, poor citizens who disgraced their country.

Mr. Middleton came out of the war seeing no hope for mankind outside of an international federation. He concludes: "Mankind cannot be cured of this scourge of war until... a man looks upon himself not as a citizen of Uruguay or Germany or the United States, but as a citizen of the world. But there is no hope of that."

By its very nature, "Our Share of Night" is a well-written autobiography of Drew Middleton during the war years. He has left to others the arguments of grand strategy and comparative merits of commanders, confining himself strictly to what he saw. Scores of brave men receive their due but only one, Dwight D. Eisenhower, is given a reference of note.

In Many War Areas
Mr. Middleton writes with great humanness of the six-week war in the West in which Germany knocked out France, the Battle of Britain, the blitz, the occupation of Iceland, the invasion of North Africa, the bitter fighting in the hedgerows of Normandy and the war's wind-up in Germany. To the end, he dislikes the Germans and warns that in the nation that now is prostrate there burns an unquenchable wish for a new, stronger Germany that would not make the mistakes the Nazis made.

Mr. Middleton, accredited for much of the war to the British forces, saw the tragedy of Dieppe from a Royal Navy motor launch off the beaches. That day of Aug. 19, 1942, he saw many a Canadian soldier die and of his feelings that night as his battered launch crept

changed from Thursday to Wednesday, the executive be asked to consider changing the day for the monthly meeting. Present meeting day is Wednesday.

RECORD PRICE FOR RAM

KELSO, Roxburghshire, Scotland —(CP)—William H. Milne, of Habbrook, Roxburghshire, received the highest price ever paid in Britain for a ram, £1,200 (\$4,800) at Kelso Ram Sales.

SUNDERLAND, Eng. — (CP)—The executive council of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Trade Unions has decided to pay for a five-day week of 42½ hours.

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man — (CP)—

The two judges of the Isle of Man—they have the local title of deemsters—are getting pay increases of £300 (\$1,200) a year to £1,700 and £1,600 respectively.

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WOULD COMPEL ALL B.C. TRUCKS HAVE INSURANCE

Compulsory liability and property damage insurance on all trucks operating in British Columbia is being requested from Attorney-General Gordon Wismer by the Automotive Transport Association of B.C. In addition, the province-wide truck and bus group has requested the Public Utilities Commission to

include compulsory cargo or load insurance in its regulations for truck operators. Though the great majority of truck line operators already give shippers this protection, ATA officers feel that it is only fair that all truck operators should extend this insurance to all shippers.

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SNOW CAUSES MINOR CRASHES

Last Thursday's fall of snow was partially responsible for at least two motor accidents. Slippery road surfaces were blamed.

A truck, reportedly driven by George Dillon, failed to negotiate the turn on the Vernon Road, at the Kumbly Court, and crashed into a pole. Thursday morning two passenger cars were involved in a collision at Richter St. and Cadder Ave. during the noon hour. In both cases, damage is believed to be fairly light. No injuries were reported.

YORK, England (CP)—The city council has adopted the "closed shop" principle for all city employees.

LONDON (CP)—Ruxton Cuthbert, 65, Aberdonian who came here in 1913 and became mayor of Battersea, is retiring.

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The WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS

Effective January 1st, 1947, any employer engaged in the HOTEL, BEER PARLOR or CATERING BUSINESS and having any employee or employees (other than members of the family of the employer) employed at such work is deemed to be engaged in an industry under the Workmen's Compensation Act provided that:

- The employer in the hotel business operates a hotel, lodging house, club or other place where lodging is furnished and having in any case ten or more bedrooms, or
- The employer has a licence to operate a beer parlor, or
- The employer in the catering industry operates a restaurant, cafe, eating house, dance hall, cabaret, banquet hall, cafeteria, tea-room, lunch room, lunch counter, dining-room or kitchen in connection with an industrial or commercial establishment, or office building or school or any other place where food is cooked, prepared and served and for which a charge is made; whether or not any such establishment mentioned in clauses (a), (b) and (c) hereof is operated independently or in connection with any other industry.

Also brought within the scope of the Act on and after January 1st, 1947, is:

- Any employer operating an APARTMENT HOUSE or COMMERCIAL BUILDING in which rooms, suites, or space is rented to a tenant and which employer has any employee or employees (other than members of the family of the employer) employed in the maintenance, servicing or repair of the building; AND
- Any employer operating a RETAIL STORE and having any employee or employees (other than members of the family of the employer) employed therein; AND
- Any employer engaged in the business of LAND SURVEYING, AUCTIONEERING or operation of a PRIVATE SCHOOL, PRIVATE CLUB, NURSING HOME, VETERINARY HOSPITAL, DENTAL LABORATORY, BARBER SHOP, HAIR DRESSING ESTABLISHMENT or BEAUTY PARLOR, PHOTO TAKING or PHOTO PRINTING SHOP, STOCK-YARD, LAND CLEARING, LANDSCAPE GARDENING or other GARDENING AS AN INDUSTRY (exclusive of market gardening), HORTICULTURAL NURSERY, CHRISTMAS TREE CUTTING, DISTRIBUTION and SERVING of AUTOMATIC MUSIC MACHINES, WATCH REPAIRING or BROADCASTING STATION (exclusive of players and artists) and having any employee or employees (other than members of the family of the employer) employed at such work.

Such employers are now required to register with the Board by submitting an estimate of their payroll expenditure for the calendar year 1947. Forms for this purpose may be obtained from this office, together with such other information as may be required.

The Workmen's Compensation Act provides that an employer who has not registered with the Board may be held liable for the cost of an accident occurring prior to such registration, in addition to the regular assessments.

Address inquiries to:

THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD,
411 Dunsmuir Street, Vancouver, B.C.

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"Stop Light" To Growing Cee Grade Fruit Turned On as BCFGA Officials Stress Need Of Quality Production

EAST KELOWNA—Speaking to a packed meeting of East Kelowna fruit growers on Thursday last at the Community Hall, Dave McNair, sales manager of B.C. Tree Fruits, turned on the "stop light" for growers of cee-grade fruit. During a detailed analysis of sales problems, Mr. McNair stressed that production is increasing every year and the only way to sell this fruit was to expand the market. "The place for expansion is in Eastern Canada, United States, Great Britain and off shore markets such as Brazil," he said. "We have gained entry to these markets only with high grade fruit. The United States this year took 400 cars, all extra fancy. None of these markets are interested in Cee-grade," he said.

Looking to the future, Mr. McNair said the dollar would not continue to be so free. While this year's crop had moved out very well, the time is not too distant when competition from citrus fruits and bananas would be keener than ever. "This year we have been fortunate in marketing a percentage of low grade fruit to U.S. processing plants," he stated. "There are signs on the horizon that frozen and unbalanced apple sales in the States will decline."

At the end of Mr. McNair's speech the meeting discussed at length the cause of the increase in Cee-grade fruit. Overcrowding of trees and a 240 per cent increase in fertilizer sales in the past five years were emphasized.

J. H. J. Stirling suggested that fertilizing was not being properly balanced with the orchard practices being used. Heavy thinning to cut out coddling moth and heavy pruning combined were producing an unbalanced apple in view of the fertilizer program.

Mr. McGarvie quoted facts from his farming experience, when nitrate of soda and sodium phosphates were used sparingly on grain land and ground crops.

Several other growers commented on the use of fertilizers.

Tree Spacing

Turning to the question of tree spacing and its bearing on apple quality, J. R. Behlinger quoted figures from his own orchard where, in 1944, he had 77 per cent Cee-grade and only 23 per cent fancy and extra fancy apples. By pulling out 12 trees and changing his fertilizer he lowered his Cee-grade average to 26 per cent and raised to 74 per cent his fancy and extra fancy fruit with a loss in quantity of only 400 boxes out of 8,000 boxes.

The question of handling fruit came under fire from the meeting. "Packing facilities in the past have not been thought to be the growers' problem," commented L. G. Butler. "Indications are that the packing house that paid the most to the grower was not necessarily the best. Growers should take into consideration whether their packing house was doing a good job. I think that if any improvements are suggested by your packing house you do not want to do so closely at the extra cents it may cost."

Cold storage and graders got a lengthy going over from the meeting and it finally boiled down to packing house help. The necessity of packing apples immediately when they arrive in the packing house was of major importance.

In the opinion of Max dePuyffler, "We are short of help and it is worker accommodation we need. We can use green help on the graders and run night shifts if living quarters were built." He went on to say that "green help" on extra shifts in one packing house was used this year and 2,000 boxes a day were run on the grader.

G. D. FitzGerald, addressing the meeting, said, "We are short of graders, short of cold storage space, short of personnel," and then asked "Which of these problems should the growers concentrate on to get maximum results?"

Processed Fruit

Mr. McNair's answer to this was, "You had better ship only what can be handled immediately. Leave the rest at home. If the high percentage of fruit is not shipped, it must be left in Kelowna to be sent to the processors or fruiters. There is 30 per cent too much Cee grade."

Early in the evening, A. K. Loyd, general manager of Tree Fruits,

was now appearing on the market. The exceptionally large attendance of close to 100 growers brought favorable comment from Mr. McNair. F. Thorneley, Jr., was in the chair and Nigel Pooley was secretary.

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